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Dear Lei

### **KYLA HALL AND TUROSS PROGRESS HALL**

Receipt of your letter dated 2 December 2010 is acknowledged and the views expressed within same are noted.

Clearly, we do not agree with the sentiments expressed in your letter. The facts remain as we indicated in our original response to the THPA. We accept the view of THPA as outlined in your letter differs.

We therefore do not propose to continue the debate regarding the past by responding further on the individual points raised.

Rather, we propose to continue to work with the community to plan for a new hall layout more in keeping with the current and future community needs.

We have, of course, since met on site as a group to discuss the way forward. The general sentiment of that meeting was to work together on plans for an improved single hall for the Tuross community at Kyla Hall. The design for the refurbishment of Kyla Hall is proceeding through the community reference group already in place and will ultimately be made available for public comment.

At this same site meeting it was agreed that we would put a recommendation to Council to fund \$60,000 toward the repair of the hall from Council's Infrastructure Fund. This will be done as part of the budget preparations for the 2011/12 financial year.

### **Tuross Progress Hall**

Your separate letter of 2 December 2010 seeks further clarification on the issue of the potential sale of the old Tuross Progress Hall on Jutland Avenue.

Further to discussions with your nominated representative, Maureen Baker, we propose to report on this matter to the February 2011 Finance and Services Committee meeting with a view to formalising Council's position to undertake the consultation process for the sale of the existing Tuross Progress Hall site. We will also include a recommendation reserving any proceeds from the potential sale of the old hall for the refurbishment of Kyla Hall and other community projects nominated by the Tuross Head community and agreed to by Council.

The aim of this Council resolution will be to allow the formal community consultation process on the sale of the Tuross Progress Hall to be undertaken. Prior to the consultation process commencing, we would suggest that we work with two nominated representatives of the THPA to establish an agreed community consultation process. This will ensure the process of consultation is acceptable to the THPA as well as Council.

The outcomes of this community consultation would then be considered and provided back to Council for final determination. The THPA and other representatives of the community would have the opportunity to speak to the report as a deputation when it is ultimately tabled.

Lei, as discussed in our telephone conversation on 19 January 2011, it is our desire to work with the THPA in a more positive manner to achieve appropriate outcomes for our community. We remain available to meet with the Executive of the THPA and/or attend meetings of the THPA from time to time to facilitate improved communication between Council and your members to assist in this process.

Should you wish to discuss any of the above further please contact me direct on (02) 4474 1206.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Warren Sharpe', written in a cursive style.

WARREN SHARPE  
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