Community Expressions advocates the reopening of Seaforth TAFE, and opposes the State Government plan to dispose of the TAFE site through Landcom.

If you or a member of your family would be interested in enrolling in a reopened Seaforth TAFE, please send contact details to:

communityexpressions@michaeldarby.net.

## Show you want your local TAFE

THE director of TAFE NSW-Northern Sydney Institute states that Seaforth TAFE is surplus to the needs of TAFE and tries to prove this with statistics and demographics which are complex and beyond the understanding of the public.

These figures are useful to politicians and bureaucrats to justify the decision to close Seaforth five years ago. I, for one, do not believe the politicians' or the bureaucrats' various explanations for the closure.

The director refers to Seaforth as the former TAFE Seaforth site. It is not just a site. The site has TAFE buildings on it. Is there a demand for TAFE education? If there is, why not use these buildings for this TAFE education to meet a demand



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that really exists.

I believe this demand is really a lot bigger than the statistics are supposed to support.

The community has a big

youth population who want to do a TAFE course but cannot meet the complex difficult demanding course requirements to enrol. Have these demanding requirements been set deliberately to inhibit demand in order to reduce the TAFE budget for the northern

beaches? I believe the northern beaches area has a very big youth population that have aspirations to enrol at a TAFE college within their area. I am sure that a large number of potential graduates are being forced to travel to Hornsby, Ultimo, North Sydney, Randwick, Petersham, Baulkham Hills etc.

These distant colleges are too far away to travel to and meet workplace requirements.

I would urge that these people register their interest and needs in order that pressure is exerted on the politicians and bureaucrats to meet these real needs of education for the youth population of the northern beaches.

Don Moller, Seaforth

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