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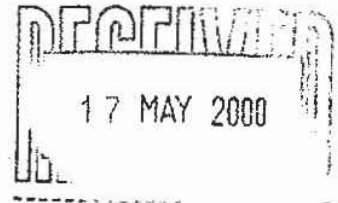
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TARA SHIRE COUNCIL

Council Chambers

TARA, QUEENSLAND 4421

12th May, 2000



Mr Glen Fenlon MLA
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Submission No 54
Spec 28.1

Dear Sir

I refer to your letter dated 13th April, 2000 regarding the review of the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission's recommendation for four year parliamentary terms which was considered by Council at its Monthly Meeting on 10th May, 2000.

Council at that Meeting resolved to object to the proposal to extend the term to four years on the basis that Council was strongly opposed to the extension of Local Government terms from three years to four years. Council is of the opinion that three years are adequate and the electorate is not having to tolerate a non performing member for the extra year. Council feels most strongly about this proposal as Rural Council's felt let down by the larger urban Council's and the State Government by the way the four year term was placed on Local Government.

Council had objected to the proposal relating to Local Government and this was carried at the Divisional Conference and to be considered at the Annual Conference of the Local Government Association of Queensland in 1999. However State Cabinet had approved the extension of the term the day before the Conference.

Should you require any further information please contact Mr John Page.

Yours faithfully

John Page

Chief Executive Officer