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## EDITORIAL

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IT'S about time Tweed residents, investors, developers and tourists found out where the Tweed Coast's next major supermarket will be built.

Argument over a supermarket for the Tweed Coast is not new, and the latest rejection of a supermarket proposal near Cudgen suggests the time has well and truly come to get to the bottom of this nagging supermarket dilemma.

Obviously, the role of any local authority and state government is to properly manage population growth and associated property development.

Important farmland and other environmentally sensitive sites must of course be protected and preserved.

But with the Tweed Coast on target to become Australia's resort capital within the next few years, as well as major new housing subdivisions underway or soon to begin, essential infrastructure simply must be provided, sooner rather than later.

It is no longer good enough to hold off making a decision on a major district supermarket for the Tweed Coast just because the right or easy option is not readily apparent.

If there is no easy option currently on the table, then our planners and other key decision makers, developers and supermarket user representatives all need to sit down together and sort out the problem.

Most people agree that the Gold Coast has failed to provide proper infrastructure for its burgeoning population.

The Tweed has a chance to avoid similar problems, so let's get on with the job.