Meeting of the Joint Ministerial Committee on the Hobart City Deal

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The Joint Ministerial Committee overseeing the development of the Hobart City Deal met in Hobart today.

The constructive meeting provided an opportunity for all three levels of Government to come together to review the work that has been undertaken to date and to continue work on the development of a City Deal for Hobart.

The Hobart City Deal provides a framework to deliver transformative outcomes for Greater Hobart and its residents. A key outcome from this City Deal will be a shared vision for Greater Hobart and to invest in the partnership with supporting governance arrangements. It was agreed the Greater Hobart Act will be an important part of this.

Once the Hobart City Deal is finalised, work will progress to identify key commitments and future opportunities to be delivered under the City Deal.

The Committee Members committed to:

- further engage, work with, and brief, partner councils
- continue to work towards finalisation of the Hobart City Deal by the end of the year
- continue to focus on the five key focus areas as a framework.

In consideration of the potential to identify anchor tenants to realise the Antarctic and Science Precinct at Macquarie Point, it was noted that no decision has been made. However, the Australian and Tasmanian Governments committed that the economic footprint and jobs in Kingston would be maintained.

The key five focus areas are:

- Facilitating an Antarctic and Science Precinct at Macquarie Point to harness the unique opportunities presented by the site.
- Implementing a Greater Hobart Transport Vision to guide a coordinated approach to transport planning including assessing the feasibility of future public transport options such as busways, light rail or ferries. This will also include considering ways to support the future use of the northern suburbs rail corridor through improved amenity and greater residential options.
- Establishing a Greater Hobart Act, to provide a legislative framework for the Clarence, Glenorchy, Hobart and Kingborough councils to work together with the Tasmanian Government to drive collaboration and collective decision making across the four municipal areas.
- Encouraging innovation, the use of Spatial Data and Emerging Technologies, and support the jobs of the future including STEM.
- Exploring options to support affordable housing in the Greater Hobart region.

All members committed to supporting the finalisation of the Hobart City Deal.

Membership

The Hon Alan Tudge MP, Australian Government Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population

The Hon Peter Gutwein MP, Tasmanian Treasurer and Minister for State Growth

Lord Mayor Alderman Anna Reynolds, Hobart City Council

Mayor Alderman Doug Chipman, City of Clarence

Mayor Alderman Kristie Johnston, City of Glenorchy

Mayor Councillor Dean Winter, Kingborough Council