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House Of Assembly

Hon Robert Armstrong Chair of the Legislative Council Select Committee on Greater Hobart Traffic Congestion Parliament House Hobart TAS 7001

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Dear Robert

I apologise for my late submission to the Select Committee. As you will be aware, I was elected to the House of Assembly on 12 of September 2019 and would like to make a contribution.

I welcome the invitation to provide a late submission, please see below and also speaking to the Committee at its hearings in mid-November 2019.

Yours sincerely

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# Submission to Legislative Council Select Committee on

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# **Greater Hobart Traffic Congestion Committee on 31 October 2019**

Hobart traffic congestion has become an issue of primary concern for many residents, businesses and commuters in the greater Hobart area.

Many of my constituents have contacted me to ensure a long term solution is identified and put into place to alleviate this frustrating problem.

A fully integrated roads and transport approach is clearly needed. I note funds are available currently through the Hobart City Deal, infrastructure funding. State Government and through Local Government sources. I have set out below some of the key issues affecting Hobart commuters and transport users that ought to be the focus of action. I hope to be able to give evidence in person.

I note also of course that major infrastructure works are also needed to improve traffic and transport not just for Hobart but also for the adjoining areas of the Huon, Clarence and Glenorchy.

It is clear that a long term strategic plan for roads, traffic and transport infrastructure and resources is required. Many of my constituents have raised with me the need for a strategic approach to this issue that address the perceived 'piecemeal' approach to traffic and transport challenges which comes from the involvement of multiple layers of government, with multiple funding inputs.

I ask the committee to consider recommending the urgent and immediate formation of an entity with the capability, competence and authority to deliver a single point of contact, management and leadership for roads, traffic and transport improvement. I note other States have adopted a similar approach.

# Key areas for consideration

# Economic benefits of taking action

- Setting out the business case for improved transport options, including long range investment in roads improvements.
- Identifying the productivity benefits to small business, tradespeople, truck and delivery drivers, bus users, families and commuters of improved roads and other transport options.

#### **Roads infrastructure**

- Use of small tunnels to alleviate traffic pinch points
- Large tunnels for cross city traffic
- Clearways and traffic flow management

# Light rail

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- Light rail extension to Brighton and the Huon
- Cross Derwent options

#### Ferries

• Pilot for Derwent ferry system

#### Buses

- Linking bus service with ferry system
- Greater use of small local bus services
- Pilot Canadian style small school bus service

#### Walking

- Linkages to cycleway and parks
- Pedestrian bridges
- Amenity and place based issues

#### Cycling

- Cycleway extension from Claremont to Bridgewater
- Servicing Taroona, Kingston and the Huon
- Considering a segregated Southern Outlet cycleway
- Segregated cycle-ways

I am looking forward to attending the Committee, if possible, to expand on the above matters.

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