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Ms Jen Butler MP (Chair)
Standing Committee on Public Works
Parliament House
Hobart TAS 7000

Dear Ms Butler,

LETTER OF SUPPORT – GLENORCHY SPORTS CENTRE DEVELOPMENT

On behalf of the Glenorchy City Council and the broader Glenorchy community, I write to reaffirm our strong support for the Glenorchy Sports Centre development project, currently before the Parliamentary Standing Committee for Public Works.

The Glenorchy Sports Centre represents a once-in-a-generation investment in community and sporting infrastructure. It will provide a fit-for-purpose hub for local and regional sporting organisations, strengthen participation pathways across multiple codes, and deliver significant social, health and economic benefits to the northern suburbs and greater Hobart region.

The project has reached a critical stage:

- Design documentation is 100% complete, and building and plumbing permit applications are progressing.
- Preparation of the Main Works Construction Request for Tender (RFT) is well advanced, with a pre-tender estimate expected to confirm the project remains within the \$25.8 million budget.
- However, delays in advertising the RFT, pending confirmation of full project funding and the re-formation of the Public Works Committee, pose a material risk. It is estimated that construction cost escalation could amount to \$70,000 per month if tendering is delayed, alongside risks of consultant prolongation claims.

The redevelopment has already secured strong endorsements from Basketball Tasmania, Football Tasmania, and Volleyball Tasmania, and engagement is ongoing with Netball Tasmania and the Southern Tasmania Netball Association to broaden the base of support, ensuring the facility's long-term viability.

In light of the above, we respectfully urge the Committee to give favourable consideration to this project and to support its timely progression. Doing so will safeguard its financial viability, deliver a modern facility that meets community need, and inspire future generations of athletes and community members alike.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Should you require any further information or wish to discuss the project in more detail, I would be pleased to assist

Yours sincerely,



Sue Hickey
Mayor of Glenorchy