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INTEGRATED TRANSPORT OPTIONS FOR SOUTHERN TASMANIA TO BE CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEE

The Integrated Transport Options for Southern Tasmania, including the future use of public bus, ferry and light rail modes of transport is to come under scrutiny by a Legislative Council Committee.

Independent Member for Elwick, Adriana Taylor MLC, who will chair the inquiry, said today the Government Administration Committee would examine a wide range of options available to deliver improved and more integrated public transport for Southern Tasmania into the future.

'There have been a number of studies completed in relation to public transport options for Southern Tasmania including the Southern Integrated Transport Plan. Unfortunately, there has been a lack of collaborative progress on the implementation of an integrated public transport model that may provide an improved and more efficient transport system for Southern Tasmania'.

Mrs Taylor said that the Committee would be receiving evidence from a range of stakeholders during the course of the inquiry and anticipated receiving a diverse range of views and ideas in relation to public transport options.

Mrs Taylor said 'This inquiry is an opportunity for the Committee to gather a range of useful information to inform the Government on the appropriate steps to progress reform in relation to this important public issue.'

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Media Note: Inquiry Terms of Reference are attached.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Adriana Taylor MLC on 0419 550 051



GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE "B"

TERMS OF REFERENCE

INTEGRATED TRANSPORT OPTIONS

To inquire into and report upon options for an integrated sustainable public transport system in Southern Tasmania, with particular reference to —

- (1) the public bus transport system currently operated by Metro Tasmania; and
- (2) any other appropriate and innovative transport systems