

FACT SHEET

Brickmakers Point Landslip Bill 2020

The Brickmakers Point Landslip Bill 2020 creates a legislative framework for providing targeted financial assistance to property owners impacted by the 2016 Brickmakers Point landslide at Deviot, in Northern Tasmania.

The Bill:

- Establishes a process whereby the five affected property owners can, within 24 months from the enactment of the Bill, voluntarily apply to have the Government make an offer to purchase their properties;
- Provides that offers for purchase are to be made at 75 per cent of the relevant property's value, calculated by the independent Valuer-General as though the value of the property had not been impacted by the 2016 landslide;
- Requires the Minister, on behalf of the Crown, to make offers to purchase affected properties within 30 days of receiving advice from the Valuer-General;
- Provides for the Crown to acquire affected properties where the property owner accepts an offer to purchase;
- Indemnifies the Crown and the West Tamar Council against future any action for damages, where an owner accepts an offer for the Crown to purchase their property. The Bill also indemnifies the Crown and the Council in relation to actions taken in good faith to manage or mitigate landslide on or in the vicinity an affected property; and
- Provides for acquired properties to be subsequently transferred to the West Tamar Council for the purposes of future ownership and management.