

Hobart City Deal

Key Focus Area 2

Antarctic and Science Precinct

Total funding commitments – over \$595 million

Together we are working to establish the Antarctic and Science Precinct at Macquarie Point, which will support activation of the site and enhance Hobart's position as a gateway to the Antarctic and Southern Ocean.

The Australian and Tasmanian Governments are co-funding a business case for the creation of the Precinct. The first phase, a Strategic Options Assessment, aims to identify and inform decision making around the proposed anchor tenants. This will be followed by the second phase examining the preferred precinct option in more detail.

The Precinct will build on our significant investments in Antarctic infrastructure, including the Australian Government's \$1.9 billion icebreaker, RSV *Nuyina*, due to arrive in 2021.

Actions

Identify anchor tenants through the development of a comprehensive business case for the precinct.

Commence precinct planning, including proposed delivery timeframes for the construction and development of the precinct.

Enable the precinct through:

- amending the *Sullivans Cove Planning Scheme 1997* to capture the revised site plan for Macquarie Point
- transferring the Macquarie Point site from the Tasmanian Government to the Macquarie Point Development Corporation, allowing the Corporation to enter into leases and licences directly
- decommissioning the wastewater treatment plant at Macquarie Point.

Antarctic infrastructure investment as part of an expanded capital works program by the Australian Antarctic Division.

Aviation facility detailed business case for Davis Station to enable year-round flights between Hobart Airport and Australia's Antarctic bases.

Commence the **transformation of Macquarie Point into a cultural and arts hub** as well as continued support of and engagement with **Antarctic and Southern Ocean related activities in Hobart**.

Maintain existing public sector footprint in Kingborough, and explore opportunities for its expansion.

Measure of success

Within the term of the Hobart City Deal:

- The Antarctic and Science Precinct will have been established and Hobart's international gateway strengthened.