



City of **HOBART**

Memorandum: Lord Mayor
Deputy Lord Mayor
Elected Members

Response to Question Without Notice

DEVELOPMENT / BUILDING ACTIVITY

Meeting: City Planning Committee

Meeting date: 2 March 2020

Raised by: Councillor Dutta

Question:

I refer to the Mercury article, Saturday 29th February 2020, attributed to Alderman Zucco, in which he states that there has been a drop of \$200m, in the past year. Can the Director advice/inform the committee if there is a reason for this substantial decline in development and if so could this be the cause of the inflated value of building activity in that financial year?

Response:

The significant drop in valuation of building permits in the financial year of approximately \$200m can be attributed to the major building permit for the Royal Hobart Hospital K Block which was approved in the previous 12 month period. The scale and value of projects of this nature are infrequent and when they do occur will provide anomalies in the trends of yearly valuation of building work approved by the Council.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

Neil Noye
DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING

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