



## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **Legal proceedings commenced for unauthorised demolition at 55 Mount Stuart Road, Mount Stuart**

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The City of Hobart and Consumer, Building and Occupational Services' Director of Building Control have confirmed that they have both commenced legal proceedings against the owner of 55 Mt Stuart Road, Mt Stuart.

The General Manager of the City of Hobart, Mr Nick Heath said the owner of the property has been served with a summons.

“The proceedings brought by the Council include three charges of breaches of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, one charge of a breach of the *Building Act 2016*, three charges of breaches of the *Building Regulations 2016* and one charge of a breach of the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*, all associated with the unauthorised removal of heritage listed trees and demolition of a building in February 2017,” Mr Heath said.

Director of Building Control Dale Webster has commenced proceedings for one charge of a breach of the *Occupational Licensing Act 2005* for managing and carrying out building work (demolition) without holding a building services licence of the occupation and class relevant to that work.

The Director said: “Tasmania's occupational licensing system is a key consumer and public safety mechanism. It is in place to make sure that work is undertaken safely and in accordance with the law.”

With this matter now the subject of legal proceedings, no further details can be provided at this point in time.

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