



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **City works with government to ease traffic woes**

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The City of Hobart is working with the state government to ease traffic congestion as children head back to school from Monday.

“Last year the combination of roadworks and the return to school led to widespread concerns over traffic congestion,” the Lord Mayor of Hobart, Alderman Sue Hickey said.

“This year we have introduced a few measures to clear the way for back-to-school traffic.

“We have implemented a new clearway for evening peak hour on Barrack Street between Macquarie and Davey streets and have also extended the clearway on Davey Street heading towards the Southern Outlet.

“City parking officers will be focusing on clearways and fining owners of vehicles that are holding up others.

“Our Sandy Bay retail precinct upgrade will again ensure both lanes are open in the direction of peak hour traffic, during this important back to school period.

“And we are reminding people that the City offers \$4 all-day parking on the Queens Domain so instead of driving all the way into the city centre they can park and walk in to the city.

The state government is offering free Metro travel before 7 am, Monday to Friday, until 24 February to further ease the pressure.

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