INTRODUCTION
The City of Hobart is defined by its communities. These are the places where we play, learn, work, shop and generally live our lives. The transport network and facilities we all share helps link us to each other and to other places we need to and want to visit.

The City of Hobart is particularly lucky to have most of our suburban living areas arranged in such a way as to generally be close to schools, parks, local shopping areas, the river Derwent and the central business area. Indeed the majority of the City of Hobart’s 51 000 (est. ABS) residents live within a 4 km radius of the Central Business District.

KEY STRATEGIES FOR COMMUNITIES
There are nine Strategic Focus Themes, with actions across all those themes that could be of interest to our communities.

The key strategy actions are to:

• Improve, through an annual contact program, our partnerships with local communities.

• Work closely with local communities, to detail and develop walking and bicycle riding plans.

• In conjunction with these actions, progressively review local area traffic management plans and consider, where appropriate, further residential area 40km/hr zones.

• Continue with and plan for a second round of local retail precinct upgrades.

• Develop a new parking plan for Hobart.

• Develop a road user hierarchy and use a smart roads and safe systems approach to managing our current road network.

• Support the Infrastructure Tasmania Hobart Transport Vision for greatly improved public transport services and facilities in greater Hobart and continue to lobby State and Federal government to provide the necessary funding to realise the vision.

• Develop and report on a set of key indicators to inform discussions on progress of the Transport Strategy.

• Improve our customer request and reporting system.
Some of the specific actions in the draft Transport Strategy most relevant to community include:

**Theme 1 – We make our decisions based on evidence and current key data**

- **Action 1.1** – In conjunction with key stakeholders, we will identify any information gaps and develop a set of key indicators and data sets, for which consistent and reliable data is available for analysis and reporting.

- **Action 1.5** – Introduce an improved online reporting tool for managing customer requests and notifications of required repairs for City of Hobart infrastructure.

**Theme 2 – Transport and land use planning is integrated to deliver the best economic, social and environmental outcomes into the future.**

- **Action 2.7** – Plan for a second round of local retail precinct upgrades, to follow on at the completion of the current projects in 2022.

**Theme 3 – Recognising walking as the most fundamental mode of transport**

- **Action 3.3** - Develop a detailed walking plan for Hobart that explains the contribution that walking makes to the operation of the city and to encourage an increase in the number of trips taken by walking.

**Theme 4 – Supporting more people to ride bicycles**

- **Action 4.3** - Develop a detailed bicycle plan that expands the contribution that cycling makes to the operation of the city and encourages an increase in the number of trips taken by bicycle, including:
  - develop a network of neighbourhood routes, where appropriate on quiet back streets, supported with wayfinding.

**Theme 5 - Increase participation in great public transport and reduce city congestion**

- **Action 5.1** – As the key stakeholder, the City of Hobart will continue to advocate support for the Hobart Transport Vision, as presented by Infrastructure Tasmania, to substantially improve the size, scale and reach of public transport in Hobart.

**Theme 6 - Smart parking for residents, visitors and businesses**

- **Action 6.1** – Develop a new parking plan including:
  - It will continue to monitor existing and implement new residential parking schemes to balance residential, visitor and commuter parking.

**Theme 8 – Managing our traffic and movement network**

- **Action 8.1** – Develop a road user hierarchy and smart roads plan for Hobart (as supported by Action 3.1 and 4.1).

- **Action 8.2** – Manage and upgrade our transport network using a safe systems approach and with reference to the Australian Government’s National Road Safety Strategy.

- **Action 8.3** – In conjunction with planning (as previously described for the walking plan, Theme 3 and cycling plan, Theme 4), commence a process of progressively reviewing local area traffic management plans.

- **Action 8.4** – Consider wider area speed limit reductions to 40 km/hr in residential areas and the central Hobart city commercial area, similar to that currently operating in the Battery Point and Hobart waterfront area.

**Theme 9 – Developing partnerships with our stakeholders.**

- **Action 9.3** – Working with established groups, in a range of areas, undertake an annual program to receive feedback and input to guide work program priorities. Such a program would include schools, community and progress associations, and business groups within Hobart, and change the way we engage on the issue of transport and travel.

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