



City of **HOBART**

Memorandum: Lord Mayor
Deputy Lord Mayor
Elected Members

Response to Question Without Notice

ROYAL HOBART HOSPITAL - SMOKE FREE

Meeting: City Planning Committee

Meeting date: 17 February 2020

Raised by: Deputy Lord Mayor Burnet

Question:

Can the Director please advise if the Royal Hobart Hospital campus has been declared smoke-free? If not, could we please have a letter of confirmation as to when?

Response:

Advice from the Department of Health is that the Minister has not yet approved the designation of the Royal Hobart Hospital as a smoke free area. There are proposed legislative amendments to the Public Health Act (currently planned for introduction to Parliament in 2021) to make all hospitals, schools and their surrounds smoke free areas (the Public Health Amendment Bill). While the Minister has approved work to be undertaken to identify a location for the creation of a potential outdoor smoking area at the Royal Hobart Hospital, it is my understanding that this work will be deferred for the foreseeable future, due to the current challenging operational environment of the Hospital.

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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