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Greater Hobart Mayors congratulate Australian Labor Party on election win

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The Greater Hobart Mayors have today congratulated Anthony Albanese and the Australian Labor Party on their Federal Election win, pledging to partner with the incoming government to strengthen the Hobart City Deal.

Mayor Doug Chipman, Mayor Bec Thomas, Lord Mayor Anna Reynolds and Mayor Paula Wriedt said the election outcome will deliver funding for a number of key priorities outlined in the City Deal, including \$20 million towards an expansion of the Greater Hobart Ferry services.

“On behalf of the Greater Hobart Strategic Partnership, we congratulate Federal Labor on their election victory and wish them well as they form our new Commonwealth Government.

“We also acknowledge the Coalition for their tenure in government and thank them for their constructive partnership, particularly through the inception of the Hobart City Deal.

“We look forward to working with the Albanese Government to deliver the ALP’s election commitments for Greater Hobart, including \$20 million towards the expansion of the River Derwent ferry services, which was the top election priority identified by the Greater Hobart Strategic Partnership.

“Securing this funding is testament to the advocacy of the Greater Hobart Strategic Partnership and further evidence of the City Deal delivering for our communities.

“The expansion of the ferries will fully maximise the Derwent River as a commuter transport waterway, initially through four new jetties and terminals at Bellerive, Lindisfarne, Sandy Bay and Wilkinsons Point, while looking at the feasibility of expanding into Kingborough.”

The Mayors also welcomed Labor’s \$60 million commitment to upgrade and strengthen Hobart Airport’s runway and airfield facilities, supporting international passenger flights and greater freight capacity.

“We are committed to working with both the Commonwealth and Tasmanian Governments to ensure the flow-on benefits of international flights are fully realised. This includes capitalising on Hobart’s position as a key international gateway to the Antarctic.

“We look forward to partnering with the Albanese Government to deliver these priorities, and call on their support to ensure southern Tasmania receives its fair share of funding into the future. This includes further investment in the infrastructure, transport and connectivity projects identified as shared priorities by our four municipalities which comprise nearly 40% of the Tasmanian population.”

A full copy of the Greater Hobart election priorities is available at [this link](#).

Doug Chipman is the Mayor of Clarence City Council, Bec Thomas is the Mayor of Glenorchy City Council, Anna Reynolds is the Lord Mayor of the City of Hobart and Paula Wriedt is the Mayor of Kingborough Council.

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