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A Message from the Premier

Over the next year, my Government is focused on ensuring all Tasmanians feel the benefits of a strong economy and a balanced Budget.

Since coming to Government five years ago, more than 12,000 jobs have been created, our economy is the best performing in the nation, the budget is balanced and we are investing record amounts into health and education.

Agenda 2019 outlines 286 specific ways in which the majority Liberal Government will continue to grow the economy and deliver the benefits to all Tasmanians.

It’s our commitment to you that we will continue to invest record amounts into health, education and supporting Tasmanians in need.

We’ll support business to grow the economy and create more jobs.

We’ll be rolling out Tasmania’s largest ever infrastructure spend so we can build the infrastructure our growing state needs.

And we’ll be taking action to keep Tasmanians safe, and to bring down the cost of living.

Tasmania’s best days are still ahead of us.

That’s why my team will be working hard every day to deliver results for you.

Will Hodgman MP
Premier of Tasmania
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QUARTER ONE: April to June 2019

Tasmania’s Next Iconic Walk
The Government is investing up to $20 million to create Tasmania’s next iconic multi-day bush walk which will help to take tourism in Tasmania to the next level. A short-list will be announced to progress to detailed feasibility studies.

Brand Tasmania commences operation and starts engagement with Tasmanians, industry and communities
Brand Tasmania will better promote, protect and nurture one of Tasmania’s most important assets – our Brand. Brand Tasmania is the first statutory place-branding authority in Australia, and will ensure our State continues to stand out from the crowd and compete in the global market place. The new Chair, Nick Haddow, has now been appointed.

Introduce Greater Hobart Bill in Parliament
Establishing a Greater Hobart Act is a key part of the $1.4 billion Hobart City Deal. The Act will provide a legislative framework for the Clarence, Glenorchy, Hobart, Kingborough and surrounding councils to work with the Tasmanian Government to drive collaboration and decision-making.

Announce next steps to deliver sustainable cruise ship growth
Following the Cruise Market Analysis and Regional Ports Review released in 2018, the next steps will include targeted initiatives to encourage cruise visitors to see more of our State and spend more in local communities.

Introduce new Biosecurity Bill into Parliament
The new legislation will build on current systems and provide a streamlined and more effective legal framework to better protect our primary industries and environment from potential diseases, pests and weeds, to secure Tasmania’s reputation as a premium producer.

Announce successful applications for the second round of the Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative
Mining and mineral processing supports more than 5700 jobs in Tasmania, especially on the West and North-West Coasts. The Exploration Drilling Initiative is a four-year, $2 million, co-funded initiative designed to increase the level of greenfield exploration drilling in Tasmania that will result in an approximately 60% increase in greenfield drilling over four years.

Release the updated Skills Funding Program for 2019
Updated and redesigned funding programs will be released, providing opportunities for job-seekers, businesses and industry groups to gain job-ready skills to support Tasmania’s economy.

Launch Agri-Tourism Strategy
The Strategy will identify ways to grow Tasmania’s agri-tourism sector and on-farm experiences as part of our visitor experience, and has been developed in consultation with key agriculture and tourism industry participants.

Open the Macquarie House Innovation Hub
Following extensive renovations, Macquarie House will open as an Innovation Hub providing space for start-ups and programs. The building will be operated by Enterprize Tasmania Ltd.

New online bond management system for residential tenants
MyBond is a new online bond management system for residential tenancies or leases to replace the current paper-based process. This red-tape reduction initiative will reduce administrative costs and burdens of the Rental Deposit Authority and improve the bond lodgement and claim processes for tenants, property owners and property agents. The platform will be available through Service Tasmania to assist those requiring help to access or navigate online rental services.
Launch Tourism Tasmania’s strategy to target “high value” and “special interest” travellers
Tourism Tasmania’s new $3 million marketing program will target “high value” travellers from key international markets, as well as show-case our island’s unique experiences to visitors with a passion for golf, fishing, walking, mountain biking and wine experiences.

Announce new Regional Tourism Organisation partnerships
The revised partnership agreements with Tasmania’s four Regional Tourism Organisations will improve collaboration to support our regional visitor economies.

Release the Agricultural Research Development and Extension (RD&E) Investment Strategy
The Investment Strategy is a key action from the Government’s Growing Tasmanian Agriculture RD&E White Paper, and will guide Government investment across the key areas of industry development and sustainable production, capacity building, innovation and international linkages.

Enact legislation to allow retail staff to conduct bag checks to deter shoplifting
Shoplifting has a major impact on the profitability of Tasmanian small businesses. Under current laws, only licensed security officers can check customers’ bags, resulting in a growing culture of impunity for shoplifters. Amendments to the Security and Investigation Agents Bill 2018 have passed the House of Assembly.

Award tender for the Start-up Accelerator for the ICT Industry
In conjunction with the activities of our Enterprize Hubs, the Start-up Accelerator will boost Tasmania’s culture of innovation and entrepreneurship in the ICT industry through developing, implementing and maintaining leading-edge mentorship programs, and potentially attracting start-up investors and sponsors.

Implementation of the Sarah Island Visitor Experience Plan, West Coast
A tender will be released for the upgrade of shelter, as part of the Government’s election commitment to improve the visitor experience on Sarah Island in Macquarie Harbour.

New Gas Safety and Gas Industry Bill enacted
The legislative changes, currently before the Parliament, will ensure modern and uniform regulation across gas infrastructure, gas installations and gas appliances. The simplified administrative arrangements remove unwarranted regulatory burdens, which will lead to cost savings and improved safety in the industry.

Reform of the Disposal of Uncollected Goods Act
Tasmanian businesses currently endure lengthy and costly delays in the disposal of goods that were uncollected by customers. This can result in the cost of disposal outweighing the value of the goods. We will bring our laws into line with other States, resulting in faster, simpler and more cost-effective disposal processes.
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Art Fair Industry Development Initiative
We will announce successful applications in the first round of the Art Fair Industry Development initiative which will give Tasmanian commercial art galleries the opportunity to showcase the work of local Tasmanian artists at prestigious national art fairs.

Release of feasibility report on on-island meat processing
A key action of the Government’s Red Meat Industry Working Group, the report will identify ways to improve commercially viable on-island processing options following the decision of JBS Swift to vacate the Devonport Abattoir.

Finalise review of red tape on regulatory processes
The Government is committed to continuing to remove impediments to the timely and efficient completion of developments across residential, commercial and industry sectors. A review to identify ways to reduce red tape will be finalised.

Energy Coordination and Planning Amendment Bill enacted
The legislation, currently before the Parliament, establishes energy security monitoring and coordination roles, a recommendation of the Energy Security Taskforce.

Commence twice-annual Hospitality Industry regional forums
Hosted by the Tasmanian Hospitality Association, this series of industry development forums will help ensure continued growth and improvement in our State’s buoyant hospitality sector and set priorities for the future.

Legislate amendments to update and improve efficiency and effectiveness of the Forest Practices Act
Forestry and its downstream industries continue to be a major employer in Tasmania. Updates to the Forest Practices Act will improve the regulatory practices for both the regulator and industry.

Hold first ICT Summit of 2019
As part of our commitment to support and grow Tasmania’s ICT industry, the second twice-yearly ICT summit will be held with industry representatives and senior Government officials, in conjunction with TasICT and the Australian Computer Society.

Commence a further round of Tourism and Hospitality Training Scholarships
The Government will release a further round of Drysdale scholarships to commence in April 2019, to increase training capacity in tourism and hospitality and help us achieve our goal of 50,000 jobs in the sector by 2020.

Screen Innovation Fund – announce investments
The new $2 million Screen Innovation Fund is aimed at creating a vibrant cultural and creative industry. Further screen production investments funded by the Screen Innovation Fund will be announced.

Release of the Aboriginal Employment Strategy
The aim of the Strategy is to increase the number of Aboriginal people working in the Tasmanian State Service, and to retain Aboriginal people in the State Service by being culturally respectful and competent, and by appropriately representing the community we serve.

Repulse Power Station – Kaplan Turbine refurbishment
This circa $30m station upgrade and new turbine will improve the machine’s performance and efficiency and ensure the safe and reliable production of renewable energy for the next 30 years.

New domestic winter tourism campaign launched
Tourism Tasmania’s new domestic winter campaign will encourage Australian visitors to visit Tasmania over the low and shoulder seasons and stay in our regional communities.
QUARTER TWO: July to September 2019

**Develop Brand Tasmania’s Strategic Plan 2019-2024**
Brand Tasmania will start developing its Strategic Plan for the new entity to guide its objectives.

**Release the Hobart City Deal Implementation Plan**
The $1.4 billion Hobart City Deal lays down the blueprint for the greater Hobart City and its future. A detailed Implementation Plan will be released within six months of signing.

**Launch Tasmania’s new Tourism Brand**
Tourism Tasmania will launch its new brand and marketing direction to industry and the market, to appeal to Tasmania’s target audiences and differentiate our State from our competitors, nationally and globally.

**Open Registration of Interest process to progress the Treasury Building divestment**
The Treasury Building and precinct is a magnificent site with significant heritage and history. The Government is currently seeking alternative uses that better conserve the buildings, heritage and improve public access. The first step will be to open an ROI process for prospective proponents.

**Finalise brand concepts for the Tasmanian Journeys Project**
The $1.4 million Tasmanian Journeys project aims to get visitors off the beaten track and out exploring all Tasmania has to offer. The Western Wilds journey has now been developed. The different brand concepts for the remaining three Journeys (the North, South and North-West) will be finalised.

**Develop a Hospitality Industry Development Plan, including regional strategies**
The Hospitality Unit will work with the Tasmanian Hospitality Association on the Development Plan, which will draw upon the outcomes of industry forums and provide the basis for identifying key issues and opportunities for the sector.

Following the launch of the Tasmanian Trade Strategy in February 2019, the first Annual Action Plan will be released, outlining key activities for 2019-20, including Trade Missions, trade events and industry development activities.

**Finalise updated Joint Venture Agreement for the Tasmanian Institute of Agriculture**
The Institute is the Government’s preferred supplier of publicly-funded agricultural research, development and extension services, and is a joint venture of the Tasmanian Government and University of Tasmania.

**New Macquarie Point Masterplan launched**
The new vision for Macquarie Point will showcase Tasmania’s strengths – arts, culture, design, tourism and science. The Masterplan will be true to the MONA vision for this exciting development site.

**Implement new Financial Management Act**
The new Financial Management Act will commence on 1 July and will deliver significant reform to the Government’s financial management framework, improving the efficiency, effectiveness and transparency of government financial management.
Next stage of Tasmania’s State-wide Planning Scheme
As part of delivering Australia’s first State-wide Planning Scheme, Local Provision Schedules for all Council areas will be delivered to the independent Tasmanian Planning Commission for assessment, completing a crucial part of our Plan to provide certainty and consistency in the planning system.

Local Government Act Review - develop the Policy Position and Directions Paper for public consultation
It is crucial that legislation governing the Tasmanian local government sector reflects and supports what communities expect from their local councils.

Implementing the Salmon Industry Sustainable Growth Plan – new information portal
The new salmon industry information portal will make publicly available an increased range of environmental information.

Launch Pilot Agricultural Internship Program
Delivering on a key action in our Growing Tasmanian Agriculture RD&E White Paper, the new Pilot Agricultural Internship Partnership Program will provide agriculture and agricultural science graduates with practical experience in the commercial agriculture sector.

Digital Check-up Tool to be launched on the Digital Ready website
The launch of the Digital Check-up online tool will expand the benefits of the Government’s highly successful Digital Ready program that is ensuring small businesses receive innovative, informative and relevant information to help their business seize the opportunities presented by the rapidly evolving digital economy.

Announce opening of Round 3 of the Exploration Drilling Grants Initiatives
This four year, $2 million initiative is designed to increase greenfield mineral exploration in Tasmania.

Finalise Indigenous Procurement Policy
The Policy will drive stronger awareness by suppliers of local benefits, including Aboriginal employment, when tendering for Government business.

Release of User Choice funding for apprentices and trainees 2019
The User Choice program is the Government’s significant contribution towards the cost of providing quality training and assessment to Tasmanian apprentices and trainees.

Begin Planning for Tasmanian Tourism Vision beyond 2020
Tasmania’s T21 vision – our Tasmanian Visitor Economy Strategy – is due to expire in 2020. Government and industry will work together on the new iteration of the T21 vision, to ensure sustainable growth and improved spending and regional visitation.

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Launch new Brand Tasmania website and online toolkit
The new Brand Tasmania website will promote the unique attributes of our Tasmanian brand globally, but also offer online practical assistance including a digital library of multimedia.

Secure more flights to Tasmania, with a priority on regional Tasmania
Funding to Tourism Tasmania for aviation marketing will support investigation of new routes and increased capacity on existing routes, with a focus on working with airline partners to increase capacity into regional locations.

Electricity Industry reforms
The Electricity Supply Industry Bill will streamline electricity industry legislation and proceed at the same time as proposed amendments to the Electricity Safety Bill, which will lead to cost savings and improved safety in the industry.

Progress the sale of the Elizabeth Street Pier
The Government will proceed with its plan to sell its stake in the Elizabeth Street Pier, with funds from the sale to assist with the renewal of the Macquarie Point precinct, including the decommissioning of the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Announce successful applicants for the third round of the Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative
The Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative is a four-year, $2 million, co-funded initiative designed to increase the level of greenfield exploration drilling undertaken in Tasmania that will result in an approximately 60% increase in greenfield drilling over the four years.

Publish the ICT Workforce Development Plan
With our industry partners, such as TasICT and the Australian Computer Society, the Workforce Development Plan will provide a blueprint for the future of the ICT industry in Tasmania, including ways to encourage the participation of women in the industry.

Introduction of Tasmania’s Major Projects Legislation
A key part of our Plan is to encourage investment, create jobs and grow the economy. That’s why the Government is introducing laws that change how major projects are considered to provide certainty of process, independent expert assessment and ensure Tasmania is a great place to invest, while ensuring we protect what makes Tasmania special.

Complete review into Queensland Fruit Fly response
The report into a review, undertaken in consultation with industry, growers and the community on the 2018-19 Queensland fruit fly response – the single largest biosecurity action undertaken in Tasmania, will be released.
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Host a Tasmanian stand at the 2019 Pacific International Maritime Exposition
The Government will showcase the State’s advanced manufacturing and defence industry capability to senior maritime, military and government decision-makers from around the world.

Commence the next phase of the Western Tasmania mapping program as part of the Geosciences Initiative Program
Western Tasmania is one of the most highly mineralised and prospective geological regions in the world and has supported jobs and economic growth in the State for more than 150 years. This initiative will enhance the geological understanding of Western Tasmania to stimulate mineral exploration activity in the region by the provision of new geoscientific information.

Commence construction of the Agriculture and Trades and Water Centres of Excellence
Meeting the demand for qualified tradespeople is critical in supporting Tasmania’s economic growth. Detailed design work continues for the Agriculture and Trades and Water Centres of Excellence.

Select Cradle Mountain Tourism Experience EOI Proponent
The Government is committed to providing opportunity for private investment in the Gateway Precinct, which will include the new Visitor Centre. Following the Cradle Mountain EOI Investment Prospectus launch on 11 December 2018, applications closed on 15 March 2019.

Implement the Salmon Industry Sustainable Growth Plan – industry scorecard
The first Tasmanian Salmon Industry Scorecard will be released, benchmarking the industry against international best practice.

Battery of the Nation – Tarraleah redevelopment feasibility assessment
The Government will receive the report which will deliver the business case analysis for the proposed Tarraleah Power Station redevelopment as part of the critical Battery of the Nation project, which will drive billions in investment and create thousands of jobs in Tasmania.
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QUARTER FOUR: January to March 2020

Pursue direct international flights to Tasmania
We will pursue direct international flights to Tasmania, subject to the Hobart Airport completing infrastructure and border force upgrades.

Farmed deer industry development plan released
The Government is working with deer farmers and other key stakeholders to support the farmed deer industry, including branding and marketing of farmed deer products, processing and supply chain integrity.

Release the 5th Red Tape Audit Report
The Government is committed to continuing to cut red tape and making Tasmania one of the best places in Australia to do business.

Building homes on new fast-tracked rezoned land
Following our new rezoning process of surplus government land, we will commence construction of new homes, ideally situated near schools, bus routes and other services. This is part of our plan to grow supply in the residential building sector, which is delivering more housing and more jobs for Tasmanians.

Release Position Paper on proposed Tasmanian Rural Water Use Strategy
The Strategy will help guide future water management arrangements, ensuring integrated, fair and efficient water administration and compliance, while delivering water security for farmers and irrigators, managing water assets to achieve sustainable outcomes in a changing climate for agricultural growth, the environment and rural communities.

Finalise Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper
Following stakeholder consultation, the White Paper is considering policy improvements to address key issues that impact production, investment and the profitability of farmers and agribusiness, including energy and water costs, the costs of regulation, and access to new technologies.

Launch phase 1 of the Commercial Fisheries Digital Transition
The first phase of the Fisheries Integrated Licence Management System (FILMS) project is the development of an electronic licensing web interface, as part of our commitment to transition the administration of Tasmanian commercial fisheries to digital platforms.

Reform of Tasmania’s gaming industry
Legislation to be tabled in Parliament to implement our election commitment to reform the Tasmanian gaming industry. The new framework will end the current monopoly arrangements and provide a new regulatory framework to apply from 2023.
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QUARTER ONE: April to June 2019

Power$mart for Business
The Government will deliver a $150,000 program to provide assistance to businesses to improve energy efficiency.

QUARTER TWO: July to September 2019

Review of Irrigation Electricity Tariffs completed
Irrigation systems are heavily reliant on electricity. The review is looking at tariffs that are more suitable to modern irrigation enterprises, and offer a competitive advantage to Tasmanian irrigators.

Seniors Park Pass Initiative
Given the huge success of our Seniors Parks Pass Initiative, we will continue to recognise our Seniors and support them to stay active and enjoy their State by implementing a 50% discount on the concession fee for Tasmanian Seniors Card holders.

Freeze water and sewerage prices for 12 months and cap future increases
As part of the historic Memorandum of Understanding between the Government and TasWater, water and sewerage prices will be frozen for 12 months commencing 1 July 2019, and increases will be capped at 3.5% in future years.

QUARTER THREE: October to December 2019

Power$mart Homes
The Government will commence a new program aimed at helping low income households reduce their energy costs through support and education, energy efficiency audits and low cost upgrades.

QUARTER FOUR: January to March 2020

Update on Tasmania First Energy Policy released
An update of the Tasmania First Energy Policy will be released, including Battery of the Nation, Project Marinus (a second Bass Strait interconnector) and other renewable energy, such as bioenergy. The Tasmania First Energy Policy is about keeping electricity prices low for all Tasmanians and achieving our target to achieve 100 per cent self-sufficiency in renewables by 2022.

Commence request for proposals for a public transport integrated ticketing system
Integrated ticketing will allow for a seamless one-ticket journey for those using both Metro Tasmania and privately-provided bus services and, once available, trans-Derwent ferries – improving the accessibility and value of public transport services.
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Commence the Community Rapid Response (Hospital in the Home) service in Greater Hobart
This is an expansion of the service that has been a great success in the North of the State. It supports people who need short-term immediate care that can be safely delivered in the community or in the home, taking pressure off our hospital services.

Commence the Numeracy Framework in Government Schools
Improving numeracy skills is a key priority for the Government, which is why we’re investing in a number of initiatives, including developing a Numeracy Framework.

Completion of the Affordable Housing Strategy – Stage 1 (2015-2019)
The Government’s first Affordable Housing Action Plan (2015-2019) will be completed by 30 June 2019, having delivered 941 lots and homes to assist over 1600 households into affordable housing. Action Plan Two will be released at the end of March 2019.

LGH co-location proposal – commence next stage of assessment
This process will further assess Calvary’s proposal to invest in a new $100 million private hospital, co-located adjacent to the LGH, to finalise the appropriate location and ensure it meets the needs of both the THS and Calvary, and future plans for the Precinct. The finalisation of the location of the facility is a crucial element to progress the proposal.

Commence analysis of options for a new Hobart Bus Transit Centre
The Hobart CBD currently lacks an efficient, dedicated bus transit centre for passenger interchanges. As part of the Government’s Hobart Traffic Vision, a site analysis will be done to inform planning and identify a cost and timeframe for development. To accommodate future demand, a new transit centre could be wholly or partially underground.

Opening of a new Women’s Shelter in Southern Tasmania
In response to more demand for crisis accommodation for women escaping family violence, an eight unit facility located in the south will provide transitional accommodation.

Release the 2019 Winter Health and Hospitals Plan
The Winter Plan ensures Tasmania is best prepared for winter illnesses. Following the highly successful 2018 strategy, this year’s Winter Plan will be designed to ensure our health agencies continue to have the necessary coordination and capacity to deliver health care in the event of a high demand flu season.

Finalise the review of Aboriginal and Dual Naming Policy
The Review aims to provide recommendations on any change or improvements that might enhance inclusivity, procedural efficiency and broader promotion of the Policy.

Release the Implementation Plan of the Literacy Framework
Literacy is the foundation for achievement in all areas of learning. The implementation of the new Literacy Framework will be supported by access to Literacy Coaches in all schools, including colleges and support schools.
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**Finalise full roll-out of the Aeromedical Rescue and Retrieval Service**
Tasmania’s first integrated medical and search and rescue helicopter service, with dedicated flight paramedics and specialist retrieval doctors, will allow quicker response times and ensure patients start to receive care the moment the helicopter lands.

**New Adult Learning Strategy**
The Government supports lifelong learning, and will commence consultation on an Adult Learning Strategy to ensure cross-government activities can be mapped, measured and coordinated to support long-term strategies for improving education outcomes and participation.

**New paramedics to commence at Wynyard**
The Government’s investment in 42 new regional and rural paramedics is one of the largest paramedic recruitment drives in Tasmania’s history, and will increase ambulance responsiveness in regional areas, help reduce paramedic fatigue and overtime costs.

**Launch Virtual Learning Tasmania**
The Virtual Learning Tasmania program provides access to high quality online synchronous learning for Years 11 and 12 Government schools and colleges. The program means that all Department of Education senior secondary settings will be able to offer an extensive choice of courses that may not have been available previously at their school or college.

**Roll-out of the North West Job Ready Generation Package**
Contracts and funding will be issued as part of the North-West Job Ready Generation Package, covering a wide-range of industry led projects. The $3.15 million investment will ensure the region has the skilled workers it needs to meet the growing job demands on the Coast, strengthening the economy, providing about 600 locals with the skills required in booming growth sectors, including agriculture, mining, manufacturing, building and construction.

**Tabling of Round II of the Housing Land Supply Orders**
The Government will continue the fast track rezoning of Government-owned land for new affordable housing developments, to increase supply and increase residential building in Tasmania.

**Deliver programs to support the new National Partnership on Skills**
Applications will open for the first program funded through the new national partnership on skills, with $2 million available to grow apprenticeship and trainee numbers, helping industry with region-specific barriers, and providing young Tasmanians with more apprentice and trainee places across the State.

**Commence the Housing and Accommodation Support Initiative (HASI) trial**
HASI will be a partnership between the Tasmanian Health Service, Housing Tasmania and Colony 47, to provide Tasmanians with mental illness better clinical and psychosocial support, linked in with stable housing and supported accommodation.

**Bringing back Libraries**
The Government will continue its roll-out of the Libraries Tasmania name and branding across all sites, and ongoing $3 million investment for new contemporary library resources.
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Open and commission the new $12.1 million St Helens District Hospital
The new hospital features 10 inpatient beds, four emergency bays, four consultation rooms, two physiotherapy rooms, as well as three separate rooms for education/training, community nursing/treatment and community activities.

Announce recipients for the Community Defibrillator Fund
This important investment in community safety will roll-out an additional 180 community defibrillators over two years, assisting many not-for-profit volunteer and community organisations, and helping to save lives. This round is the first of 90 defibrillators to be allocated under what is the largest ever community defibrillator program run in Tasmania.

Commence the Community Rapid Response (Hospital in the Home) service in the North-West
This is an expansion of the service that has been a great success in the North of the State. It supports people who need short-term immediate care that can be safely delivered in the community or in the home, taking pressure off our hospital services.

Release of the Neighbourhood House Protocol
The launch of a new way of working together with the Neighbourhood House Network to respond to and deliver for communities across Tasmania.

Complete the Mersey Community Hospital helipad
This landing site is critical health infrastructure that will allow seriously ill or injured patients to be transferred quickly from hospital, medical centres and places of illness or injury, to the best hospital for their needs.

Complete the $1.8 million upgrade of the Latrobe Ambulance Station
This project delivers an expansion and refurbishment of the station, including garaging for a minimum of four ambulances, as well as improved vehicle access. Training rooms are also being upgraded along with paramedic amenities and storage areas.

Continue the “Get Involved” community engagement campaign to build new schools
The campaign provides communities with the opportunity to help inform planning of important capital works projects for Government schools, including new schools, four major school redevelopments and six new early learning hubs.

Strengthening the process for Transfer of Guardianship
Consultation will commence on a framework to provide better processes around ensuring children have stability in their placements.

Consider the advice and recommendations of the Mental Health Integration Taskforce
The taskforce will provide expert advice on the best use of new mental health services to benefit Tasmanian patients across the mental health spectrum, from community facilities, inpatient units and the Emergency Department.

Commence the Digital Ready for Daily Life program
In partnership with TasCOSS, the Digital Ready for Daily Life program aims to improve digital inclusion by addressing the capability and affordability for Tasmanians who are experiencing high levels of digital exclusion, including low income households, older Tasmanians and people not in paid employment.
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Release of Small Business Grants to support uptake of apprentices and trainees
Applications will open for the Small Business Grants program to incentivise businesses to sign up an apprentice or trainee, with $5000 made available to each participating small business, and $2.5 million available annually in grants.

Announce recipients of the Tasmanian Community Innovation Grants program
An important part of the Healthy Tasmania five-year Strategic Plan, the grants will help communities develop partnerships with health providers, local government, not-for-profits and commercial enterprises and businesses.

Release of the Out of Home Care Extension to 21 model
Providing support for young people in family-based care as they transition to independent living, with a step down model that continues to provide support during this critical time in a young person’s life.

Launch the new Tasmanian Multicultural Policy 2019 and Action Plan
The new Policy and Action Plan will build on the achievements of the Tasmanian Multicultural Policy and Action Plan 2014 to further promote Tasmania as a respectful, inclusive and socially cohesive State that values cultural diversity.

Completion of the School to Work Employment Program
The Government, in partnership with the Beacon Foundation, is offering fifteen Year 11 and 12 students with school-based apprenticeships to start their career in the Tasmanian State Service. The pilot program, which began late last year, will be completed, providing pathways to employment with youth in disadvantaged or regional communities.

State of Public Health Report – release of five-year report
The State of Public Health Report, together with the supporting Health Indicators document, provides a summary and analysis of the health status of Tasmanians. The report is coordinated by the Director of Public Health and will also outline key measures to protect and promote health in Tasmania.
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Commencement of the Neighbourhood House Capital Investment Program
The Government understands the important role Neighbourhood Houses play in our communities. This $2 million program will enable further capital improvements to enhance the network of homes around the State.

Commence the recruitment of the second tranche of 250 additional teachers
Education is a priority for the Government, which is why we’re investing a record $324 million into education, including 358 more teachers and school staff, to lift education outcomes in Tasmania.

New paramedics recruited for St Helens
The Government’s investment in 42 new regional and rural paramedics is one of the largest paramedic recruitment drives in Tasmania’s history, and will increase ambulance responsiveness in regional areas, reduce paramedic fatigue and overtime costs.

Convening 2019 Ministerial Forum with Industry on Skills Priorities
Ongoing engagement with strategic community and industry partners is critical to ensuring skills funding and skills projects are successful.

Commence the Midlands Multipurpose Centre $2.5 million refurbishment
This major upgrade of the original 1970s building will provide a better layout, more privacy and increased space. Working in partnership with the local council and advisory committee, the Government will ensure the works best support the community.

Finalise the framework and targets for the Closing the Gap “Refresh”
The Government is working with COAG and Tasmanian Aboriginal communities to finalise the framework and targets for the Closing the Gap “Refresh” to improve outcomes for Aboriginal people.

Review options for a new Hobart Bus Transit Centre
The Hobart CBD currently lacks an efficient, dedicated bus transit centre for passenger interchanges. The Government will review the results of a site analysis to inform planning and determine a cost and timeframe for the development. To accommodate future demand, a new transit centre could be wholly or partially underground.

Derwent ferries – landside infrastructure
Planning will commence for the landside infrastructure at Bellerive and Sullivans Cove needed to realise a commencement of a commuter ferry service on the Derwent River, which could potentially take thousands of vehicles off roads in and around Hobart.
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QUARTER TWO: July to September 2019

Commence indexation for peak bodies in Tasmania
In line with our election commitment, peak bodies who advocate for, and support older Tasmanians, volunteers, young people, veterans, carers, our multicultural community and men’s sheds, will receive annual indexation for the first time to their core annual funding.

Stage 2 of Integrated Service Model between Service Tasmania and the Devonport City Council
Sharing resources makes good sense for Tasmanian taxpayers, and the integrated model in Devonport provides one point of service for customers for both local and state government transactions and queries. Stage 2 will incorporate payment of parking infringements, parking meter/car park general enquiries and disputes.

New paramedics recruited for Bicheno
The Government’s investment in 42 new regional and rural paramedics is one of the largest paramedic recruitment drives in Tasmania’s history, and will increase ambulance responsiveness in regional areas, reduce paramedic fatigue and overtime costs.

Open the 2019 round of Women in Leadership scholarships
This Scholarship Program is a joint initiative of the Tasmanian Government and the Australian Institute of Company Directors, and aims to support Tasmanian women who are emerging leaders, to develop their leadership, governance and financial skills.

Release of the Tasmanian Immunisation Strategy
The next iteration of the Tasmanian Immunisation Strategy to further increase the rates of child and adult immunisation across the State, will be publicly released.

Commence pilot delivery model for light vehicle Provisional driving assessments by private sector
A long-time key barrier and frustration for young drivers, particularly in rural and regional areas, is the long waiting times for initial testing and then re-testing if needed, to attain the P1 driving licence. This new model will allow appropriately qualified private sector driving instructors to conduct P1 licence assessments.

New paramedics recruited for Deloraine
The Government’s investment in 42 new regional and rural paramedics is one of the largest paramedic recruitment drives in Tasmania’s history, and will increase ambulance responsiveness in regional areas, help reduce paramedic fatigue and overtime costs.

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National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) – Full Scheme commencement
The NDIS is revolutionising the way people with disability are able to participate in the broader community, by providing greater choice and control over their disability supports. 1 July 2019 marks the commencement of the full scheme of the NDIS for all eligible Tasmanians.

Secondary Triage – commencement of roll-out
This service will ensure that ambulance patients who call 000 and who don’t require emergency intervention or transport to an emergency department, will be referred to an appropriate health service, keeping paramedic resources available for emergency calls.
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QUARTER THREE: October to December 2019

Complete and open first stage of the new and expanded LGH 4K Children's Ward
The Ward 4K redevelopment will provide a new 36-bed contemporary facility, which will include Tasmania’s first dedicated Adolescent Mental Health Unit, along with a number of specialist clinics.

New Royal Hobart Hospital redevelopment (K-Block) – commence commissioning
Commissioning services within the $689 million Royal Hobart Hospital redevelopment will enable us to take health care in Tasmania to the next level, benefiting generations of Tasmanians.

Release the Gambling Support Strategic Framework 2019-2023
The Government is committed to harm minimisation measures and supporting Tasmanians who are directly or indirectly affected by problem gambling.

Commence construction of the $1.1 million Smithton Ambulance Training Facility
The Government’s investment will provide a dedicated training room and new two-bedroom unit to support the Smithton Ambulance Station. This will provide a better environment for volunteers and paramedics, with dedicated quarters for relief staff.

Release the updated Neighbourhood House Strategic Framework
The Government will deliver the next stage of the Strategic Framework – a practical guide that supports the Neighbourhood House Network’s ongoing development and support.

Support greater parent and carer engagement
Parents and carers are important partners in education of children and young people. Informed by detailed consultation, we will complete a review into parent and carer engagement to ensure that parents and carers are encouraged and supported to be partners in learning.

Employ Aboriginal Liaison Officers as part of the Strong Families, Safe Kids Project
As part of the Government’s redesign of the child safety system, two Aboriginal Liaison Officers will be employed within the Child Safety Service to better support and work more closely with the Aboriginal community.

Open the Multicultural Grants Program
The Program provides funding support for projects and activities that build the capacity of our multicultural communities, deliver positive outcomes for community members, and supports projects that foster cross-cultural understanding and engagement, helping new arrivals to our State settle and feel welcome.

LGH – completion of Master Plan
A Master Plan for the LGH and adjacent health facilities will set out the capital and infrastructure requirements for the next 50 years of health service delivery in Northern Tasmania, in line with the Clinical Services Profile.

Complete the LGH air conditioning upgrade
This comprehensive upgrade will provide air conditioning in some areas that have never had such heating and cooling before, and will upgrade existing ageing infrastructure to ensure the comfort of patients, staff and visitors.

Investing in Health, Education and Tasmanians in Need
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QUARTER FOUR: January to March 2020

Commence the roll-out of Working with 3 Year Olds, a free pre-school program for eligible three year olds
Investing in the early years is a key priority for the Government. Research consistently shows that by investing in the early years, we can set up children for the brightest future possible, particularly for children who are disadvantaged or vulnerable.

Complete the $500,000 upgrade of Flinders Island health staff accommodation
This initiative includes the purchase of new property, as well as refurbishments. It is important that health professionals working in rural and regional locations in Tasmania are supported.

Launch the Health and Wellbeing for Women Action Plan
Gender is one of the most powerful determinants of health outcomes. For this reason, under the Government’s Tasmanian Women’s Strategy 2018-21, the Health and Wellbeing for Women Action Plan is one of the four key priority action areas.

Commence construction planning for Early Learning Hubs
The Government is building six new Early Learning Hubs, with four to be operational by 2024. The hubs will provide important health, education and outreach support for their communities.

Latest round of Transition to Practice Nurses to commence at hospitals
The Government has invested significantly to increase available positions and opportunities as part of the Transition to Practice graduate nurse program. Positions will be made available in all three regions, and in a wide range of practice settings, including metropolitan and rural hospitals, community and mental health settings.

Complete refurbishment of the $2.5 million Midlands Multipurpose Centre
This major upgrade of the original 1970s building will provide a better layout, more privacy and increased space.

Extend Kingston High School, New Town High School, Ogilvie High School and Dover District School to Years 11 and 12
The Government is committed to extending all Tasmanian high schools to Year 12 by 2022. This targeted investment in education and the resources required to support years 11 and 12 in extension schools will ensure Tasmania has a job-ready generation of young people.

Implement Tasmania’s first Needs Based Funding Model for students with a disability
The new Needs Based Funding model will strengthen the level of support for students with disability to access, participate and engage in education and achieve quality outcomes.

Deliver an Education Staff Wellbeing Strategy
The Government recognises the importance of staff wellbeing for improving education outcomes. The Government will deliver a Staff Wellbeing Strategy to improve the wellbeing of our education workforce that supports the learning, growth and engagement of staff, enabling them to focus on improving outcomes for our learners.

Release new Numeracy Framework
The Government is committed to prioritising numeracy as part of our goal to ensure Tasmanian students are at, or above, the national standard in every single NAPLAN measurement.

Begin recruiting the first tranche of new Prep Teacher Assistants
The Government will provide greater support for young teachers by providing an additional teacher’s assistance resource for the Prep Year.

Commence implementation of recommendations from the review of school levies and charges
The Government is committed to inclusive, affordable and equitable access to education.

New Kingston Health Centre – report on the benefits
The $6.5 million Kingston Health Centre hosts a range of community-based primary care service, including physiotherapy, oral health, various visiting services and a bookable community space. A public report following a review of the benefits will be released.
125 more frontline Police Officers – announce workforce planning analysis and placement of additional 125 officers
This delivers on an election commitment to recruit 125 more Police Officers over four years, and to deploy the majority of new officers to frontline duties as first-responder Police Stations, and in regional and rural stations around the State.

Review of the Evidence Act to increase rights of victims
Consistent with the Government’s commitment to ensuring that the law protects the rights of all victims, the Government will release a Discussion Paper on Section 194K of the Evidence Act to provide all Tasmanians an opportunity for feedback on how our laws can be improved.

Launch of the Elder Abuse Prevention Strategy 2019-2022
Aimed at the prevention of elder abuse and raising awareness of the issue in our communities, the release of our updated Action Plan continues our commitment to support Tasmanian seniors.

War on Ice – outlaw motorcycle gang colours ban commences
The ban on certain proscribed outlaw motorcycle gangs from wearing ‘colours’ in any public space will take effect, removing a tool used to intimidate, influence, recruit, promote and mark out gang territory.

Workers compensation – removal of “step down” provisions
The Government will introduce legislation to remove the “step-down” provisions that apply to Police Officers on workers compensation as a result of operational-related injury, to ensure they will continue to receive 100% of their pay.

Emergency Volunteer Support Fund – announce first round recipients
The Fund provides for the purchase of equipment upgrades for brigades, such as pumps, floodlights or other equipment to improve the amenity or training at volunteer stations.

Police recruitment – Graduate Course and Accelerated Training Program Graduation
The Government is delivering on its election commitment to recruit 125 more Police Officers over four years, with the commencement of the first Graduation Course for 2019, and the Accelerated Training Program Graduation Course.

Launch Tasmania’s Second Family Violence Action Plan
Released in August 2015, Tasmania’s first Family Violence Action Plan funded 23 new and direct actions. The second Plan continues the Government’s commitment to protect families and children.
SECOND YEAR AGENDA - Building Your Future

QUARTER ONE: April to June 2019

Make serious cyber-bullying a criminal offence
The Government will introduce the Criminal Code Amendment (Bullying) Bill 2019 which will make serious cyber-bullying a criminal offence.

Introduce legislation that automatically Presumes Post Traumatic Stress Disorder diagnoses are work-related for public sector workers compensation claims
The Government recognises our frontline workers including paramedics, police officers, fire fighters, emergency service workers, nurses and prison guards often face stressful and traumatic situations as part of their jobs. As a result of our reforms, the onus of proof will be reversed for those who are diagnosed with PTSD, and Government Agencies will be required to prove that the cause of PTSD is not work-related, in order to refute a claim.

Release tender for new Police Vessel
The Government will commence the process for replacement of the next retiring police vessel by releasing a tender for the design, construction and delivery of a new, world-class police patrol vessel.

Commence Fire Recruitment Course
The first Trainee Firefighter Development Program for the recruitment of 12 Trainee Firefighters commences.

Review of Begging offences
The Government will release an update on the review into the current offence of begging and imposition in the Police Offences Act 1935.

Fire Service Act Review – commence consultation
The current Fire Service Act dates back to 1979, following the amalgamation of the Rural and Urban Fire Services into the Tasmanian Fire Service. Over the years, the current legislative framework has become fragmented, overly complex and process driven.
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QUARTER TWO: July to September 2019

Complete the new design for the Ashley Youth Detention Centre
The Government has committed to redesigning Ashley to better support a therapeutic approach to give young offenders the care and skills they need to lead positive lives when they return to our community.

Land purchase and commencement of planning for the new $12 million Sorell Emergency Services Hub
With a commitment to increase police numbers by a further 125, the Government is resourcing a new Emergency Services Hub in Sorell.

Police Surveillance – commencement of the use of drones
The Government is delivering on its commitment to make available video capable drones with the latest technology to Tasmania Police, along with training for police officers State-wide.

War on Ice – ban the display and sale of ice pipes
The Government will introduce legislation to stop the display and sale of ice pipes. Smoking ice is more addictive than most other forms of other drug use, and the current law sends a mixed message where the drug is illegal, but the paraphernalia to consume the drug is legally available.

Open Round 2 of the Neighbourhood House Security Grants
The Government is delivering on its commitment to provide funding for security improvements for Tasmania’s Neighbourhood Houses, who are able to apply for a share of $75,000 of second round grant funding.

One punch laws
Consistent with the Government’s commitment to introduce a law that will specifically address “one punch” incidents, we will undertake public consultation on reforms to ensure that violence offenders who cause the death of others will be criminally responsible for their actions.

Release results of trial use of unmarked police motorcycles
Tasmania Police is currently trialling unmarked police motorcycles to detect high-risk road behaviours in slow-moving and stationary traffic and also targeting mobile phone, seat belt and inattention offences.

Commence consultation on Northern Prison
Community consultation will commence on the location for the new $270 million Northern Prison site.

School bus seat belt and standing passenger review
Receive preliminary Departmental report into a review of current school bus safety measures, to help guide any possible future changes to improve standards.

Police recruitment – Graduate Courses
The Government is delivering on its election commitment to recruit 125 more Police Officers over four years, with the conclusion of the first Graduation Course for the 2019, and the commencement of the second.

Launch Tasmania’s First Sexual Violence Action Plan
Release Tasmania’s first whole-of-government action plan against sexual violence, to provide better support for victims and their families, hold perpetrators to account and aim to change community attitudes and behaviours.

Neighbourhood Disputes about Plants Act 2017
The Government will introduce a Bill to strengthen enforcement provisions of the Act, in relation to neighbourhood disputes over trees, hedges and other plants.
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QUARTER THREE: October to December 2019

New $5 million New Norfolk Police Station – commencement of planning and development
This $5 million project will deliver a purpose built police station that has the capacity, space and security requirements to respond to the community’s needs, around-the-clock, seven days a week.

Introduce Workplace (Protection from Protestors) Amendment Bill
Tasmanians deserve the right to go to work without their safety being compromised. This legislation will help protect businesses and their employees from those who would intentionally shut down their workplaces. The amendments introduce offences that build on existing laws, and will apply to those who intend to impede business activity, particularly by way of trespass and obstruction.

Firefighter Recruitment
The graduation of the first Trainee Firefighter Development Program, and the commencement of the second Trainee Firefighter Development Program of 12 Trainee Firefighters.

Keeping our emergency services workers safe on the roads
The Government will introduce a new road rule, supported by a public education campaign making it an offence to travel past an emergency service vehicle parked on the roadside with lights flashing, at speeds higher than 40km/h.

Completion of upgrades to the Ron Barwick Minimum Security Prison
Completion of final upgrades to the Ron Barwick Minimum Security Prison at Risdon Prison. This follows the opening of a new 40-bed facility in 2018.

Release latest data on landslip and flood modelling
Under the Government’s $1 million Mining Sector Innovation Program, we are improving our understanding of landslip reactivation and implications for future planning, and emergency response. A State-wide digital evaluation model incorporating the latest LiDAR data will be released to assist with flood modelling. This work is being conducted in conjunction with the Tasmanian Minerals and Energy Council and the University of Tasmania’s Centre of Excellence in Ore Deposits (CODES).

New Police Vessel – contract awarded
The build contract for the replacement of the next retiring police vessel will be awarded. The vessel will be a new, world-class police patrol vessel.

Purchase land and commence planning for the new $5 million Longford Police Station
This $5 million project will deliver a purpose built police station that has the capacity, space and security requirements to respond to the community’s needs.

Launch the Tasmanian Disaster Resilience Strategy
The Strategy will ensure that disaster risk reduction and preparedness for Tasmania is contemporary and consistent with national best practice, covering the responsibilities of all parties, including individuals, households, businesses, governments at all levels, and other relevant non-government organisations. Together with the State Emergency Management Committee Strategic Directions Framework, both will strengthen our integrated approach to disaster resilience across government and sectors.

Launch the second Action Plan under the Towards Zero Tasmanian Road Safety Strategy 2017-2026
The second Action Plan will include priority actions to move Tasmania closer to realising the Government’s long-term vision of eliminating road trauma on our roads.

Southern Remand Centre – tender awarded
The tender for the managing contractor for the new 140 bed, $70 million Southern Remand Centre at the Risdon Prison complex will be awarded.
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QUARTER FOUR: January to March 2020

**Firefighter recruitment**
The graduation of the second Trainee Firefighter Development Program of Trainee Firefighters.

**Dangerous Criminal Declarations – introduction of legislation**
Legislation will be introduced to streamline the process of declarations, with appropriate safeguards, so that the community can be confident that when the courts and prosecutors believe a criminal is too dangerous to be released from prison, action can be taken.

**Police recruitment – Graduate Courses**
The Government is delivering on its election commitment to recruit 125 more Police Officers over four years, with the conclusion of the second Graduation Course for 2019.

**Firefighting (Remote Area Teams) – inclusion of volunteers**
The Government will develop, sustain and grow Remote Area Teams capacity from suitable volunteer firefighters around the State, including helicopter insertion training and firefighting skills in this specialised field.

**Determination of new Northern Prison site**
Following consultation, the Government will determine and announce the site for the new $270 million Northern Prison.

**Finalise design and regulatory approval for the new Police Vessel**
Following the awarding of the contract, design will be finalised with the successful tenderer, and regulatory design approval secured, for the replacement of the next retiring police vessel with a new, world-class police patrol vessel.
SECOND YEAR AGENDA - Building Your Future

QUARTER ONE: April to June 2019

Tender released to build the Hobart Airport Interchange flyover project
The project will build a four-lane “flyover” interchange that will replace the existing Hobart Airport roundabout to address delays and queuing often occurring during peak hours. This project is a major part of the Government’s South-East Traffic Solution.

Commence planning for the Southern Outlet fifth Lane, and Macquarie and Davey Street bus priority lanes
Measures include extending clearways, establishing bus priority lanes and encouraging more commuters to use public transport as part of our Greater Hobart Traffic Solution.

Complete the $2.9 million upgrade to Illawarra Primary School
The Government is committed to provide students with access to modern learning facilities.

Complete $120 million Tranche One of the Tasmanian Freight Rail Revitalisation project
Tranche One was a four-year program of Below Rail upgrades and renewals across the operational rail network.

Complete improved visitor infrastructure in Tasmania’s Parks
The Government is investing $16 million into our icon experiences and $8 million to future-proof infrastructure to take our world-renowned National Parks and Reserves to the next level. In this quarter, works to be completed will include –
• The Richmond Gaol Roof and Site presentation works;
• The new viewing platform for Glacier Rock at Dove Lake;
• The Walls of Jerusalem Car Park and Toilet; and
• Stage 2 of the Ben Lomond Summit Track upgrade.

New overtaking lanes on the Arthur Highway, south of Sorell
Road users frequently experience delays and frustration due to slow moving tourist traffic and agricultural vehicles between Sorell and Southern Beaches turn-offs. A tender will be released to build more overtaking opportunities near Iron Creek, as part of the Government’s South East Traffic Solution.

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
The Government is investing $450,000 to commence the roll-out of a statewide electric vehicle charging network, and will provide grant funding to develop electric vehicle destination and fast charging stations.
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QUARTER ONE: April to June 2019

**Finalise the transfer of the Launceston City couplet roads to the Tasmanian Government**
The Government will add Launceston’s key road couplet, Wellington and Bathurst Streets, and sections of York and Brisbane Streets that connect to the State-owned Kings Bridge, to the State Road Network, to address growing congestion issues.

**Derwent River Ferry Service**
The establishment of a Derwent River Ferry Service between Bellerive and the City of Hobart is part of our Plan to tackle traffic congestion. A Project Working Group will be established to develop a detailed project plan including timeframes for the delivery of a service between Bellerive and Sullivan’s Cove, and will engage with key stakeholders across community, local government and industry sectors.

**Mt Field Government Huts**
The Government will complete upgrades to the toilets at the Mt Field Government Huts.

**Open the new Orange-Bellied Parrot Breeding Facility**
The purpose-built captive breeding facility at Five Mile Beach will significantly expand breeding capacity, with the aim of doubling the number of birds available for release to the wild.

**Taroona High School – Performing Arts Learning Spaces**
The Government will commence a major $5 million redevelopment of Taroona High, to ensure students have access to a modern state-of-the-art school.

**Pipeline to Prosperity – Tranche 3 Irrigation Development**
The Pipeline to Prosperity business case proposal will be submitted for Federal funding. Pipeline to Prosperity will add high reliability irrigation water-boosting production of dairy, intensive livestock, broadacre crops like poppies, seeds and cereals, and vegetables, as well as high value fruit and wine grapes.

**Dove Lake Viewing Shelter referral**
As part of the Government’s commitment to transform Cradle Mountain into a world-class experience, the Dove Lake Viewing Shelter Development Proposal Environmental Impact Statement assessment by the Australian Government under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act will be referred.
NEW OVERTAKING LANES ON THE GREAT EASTERN DRIVE
Installing passing lanes will allow for the growing number of slower vehicles using this tourist route, such as caravans and campers to pull over, allowing normal-speed traffic to pass by. A tender will be released to build new overtaking lanes between St Helen’s and Diana’s Basin, as part of the Government’s $72 million Visitor Economy Roads package.

COMPLETE IMPROVED VISITOR INFRASTRUCTURE IN TASMANIA’S PARKS
The Government is investing $16 million into our icon experiences and $8 million to future-proof infrastructure to take our world-renowned National Parks and Reserves to the next level. In this quarter, works to be completed will include –
• upgrades to toilets at Cape Bruny; and
• new North Wineglass Bay toilet facilities.

MACQUARIE HEADS JETTY UPGRADE OPENING
The Government is investing $435,000 in the construction of a new public jetty.

LAUNCH THE REGIONAL TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT ATTRACTION PILOT
The Reimaging our Regions Program is one of a range of initiatives to address challenges to increase the number of visitors spending time and money in our regions. The pilot will be in the North-West, focusing on the coordination of product and industry development, infrastructure and investment in areas of low visitation with growth potential, to grow demand and capacity.

REAL TIME TRAFFIC CONGESTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
As part of our Greater Hobart Traffic Solution and to combat traffic congestion, the Government will complete the roll-out of the management system to provide better information for traffic managers and road users through the use of traffic monitoring technology.

UPGRADING RACING INFRASTRUCTURE
In line with our election commitment, the Government will begin a capital grants fund of $250,000 per year to assist local racing clubs across the State to fund vital racing infrastructure upgrades.

KING ISLAND HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT – TENDER FOR STAGE 2
These significant works will include palliative care and associated family rooms, acute care and observation areas, improved emergency and after-hours access and a kitchen upgrade. The redevelopment will also include construction of dedicated housing for nurses working and living on King Island, to improve recruitment and retention.

RELEASE UPDATED 10 YEAR TASMANIAN INFRASTRUCTURE PIPELINE
The 10-year pipeline clearly maps out planned infrastructure development over the next decade, from which private investment, employment and training decisions can be made.
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QUARTER TWO: July to September 2019

Tender released to build next stage of Midland Highway
As part of the 10-year Action Plan for the Midland Highway, a tender will be released to improve the safety of the 3.5km length of the Highway over Spring Hill, between the recently completed works south and north of Spring Hill.

Commence $120 million Tranche Two of Tasmanian Freight Rail Revitalisation project
The Government will prioritise investment into the Burnie to Hobart Freight Corridor, including the renewal and upgrade of specific structures like culverts and bridges, and improve track and pavement condition at prioritised level crossings.

Release draft 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy for consultation
As part of the Government’s long-term planning for Tasmania’s future, a 30-year Infrastructure Strategy will establish a framework to inform the Government’s infrastructure investment decisions, given their large cost and long-term nature. The Plan will help unlock further economic development in the State.

Commence project planning for the new Bridgewater Bridge
The $576 million Bridgewater Bridge is the biggest bridge project since the construction of the Bowen Bridge in 1984. Three years of detailed planning, design and approvals will be followed by three years of construction, and Tasmanians will be driving on a new bridge in 2024.

Commence community consultation on the South East Traffic Solution
The Government’s South East Traffic Solution includes projects such as the Midway Point intersection upgrade. The current roundabout at the intersection of the Tasman Highway and Penna Road at Midway Point is increasingly congested, and no longer works effectively, and the road is too narrow.

Award tender for mobile coverage for the Great Eastern Drive
This $3.5 million investment with a telecommunications provider will improve coverage along the Great Eastern Drive between Binalong Bay and Buckland, as well as in several small towns including Four Mile Creek and Falmouth, which currently have little or no mobile coverage.
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QUARTER THREE: October to December 2019

Commence sealing of Bruny Island Main Road
This project is part of the first ever dedicated $72 million investment into Tasmanian tourist roads. Sealing the section between Alonnah and Lunawanna completes the sealing of the Bruny Island Main Road, improving road conditions for visitors and locals.

Complete the Freycinet Wastewater Infrastructure Feasibility and Options Paper
Freycinet National Park is one of our most popular tourism destinations, however the local wastewater infrastructure is inadequate. Our commitment of $365,000 has enabled TasWater to undertake a feasibility and options paper to address the wastewater infrastructure needs of the region.

Complete improved visitor infrastructure in Tasmania’s Parks
The Government is investing $16 million into our icon experiences and $8 million to future-proof infrastructure to take our world-renowned National Parks and Reserves to the next level. In this quarter, works to be completed will include the installation of new seating and interpretation at Heritage Landing (Gordon River).

East Launceston Primary School – completion of upgrade
The $4.5 million provision of new kindergarten facilities and a multi-purpose facility at East Launceston Primary School will ensure that children have the best start in the early years.

Commence construction of the Mowbray Connector roundabout
One of Northern Tasmania’s major road safety and traffic hazards will be addressed with this upgrade of the junction of the East Tamar Highway and Mowbray Connector, as part of the Government’s Launceston and Tamar Valley Traffic vision.

Complete Snug Primary School upgrade
The $2.5 million construction of a new gym will ensure students at Snug Primary have access to flexible learning and physical education spaces.

Introduce legislation for on-demand passenger transport sector
This will provide Tasmanians with greater choice of method of travel, but also allow those in the industry to operate from a level playing field.

West Coast Roads package – commence construction
These works will include reconstruction of some sections of the Henty Main Road and, work will continue with the West Coast Council on other priority projects.

Dove Lake Viewing Shelter – release of tender for construction
As part of the Government’s commitment to transform Cradle Mountain into a world-class experience, the Dove Lake Viewing Shelter tender for construction will be released.

Commence construction of the next stages of the Richmond Road
The Richmond Road Master Plan will improve safety by providing wider lanes, 1.5 metre sealed shoulders, road alignment improvements, upgrades to Boyes Street and Malcolm’s Hut Road junctions, and six sealed layby areas to allow slow vehicles to pull over.

North-West Regional Hospital Antenatal Clinic – commence construction
The Government is investing $2 million to build a purpose-built antenatal clinic at the North West Regional Hospital, as part of the Integrated North-West Birthing Service. This will provide a state-of-the-art facility to better support mums, babies and the dedicated staff that operate the service.
SECOND YEAR AGENDA - Building Your Future

QUARTER FOUR: January to March 2020

Cradle Mountain - New Visitor Centre
Stage One of the Government’s $30 million Cradle Mountain Visitor Experience – the new visitor Centre at Cradle Mountain Gateway – will be completed.

Commence $20 million major redevelopment of Penguin District School
The redevelopment will provide a new state-of-the-art learning areas for students, and include flexible and modern facilities for Year 11 and 12 students.

Dove Lake Viewing Shelter – construction commences
As part of the Government’s commitment to transform Cradle Mountain into a world-class experience, construction of the Shelter will commence.

Complete sealing of Hastings Cave Road
The first stage of the project, part of the first ever dedicated $72 million investment into Tasmanian tourist roads, will seal the road between Lune River Road and the Visitor Information Centre, the access to popular Hastings Caves and Thermal Springs.

Cockle Creek Master Plan completed
The Government is investing $800,000 to improve the southern gateway to the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.

Complete Hobart College refurbishment
The $2.5 million theatre refurbishment at Hobart College will ensure students have access to contemporary, flexible and inspiring learning spaces.

Tasman National Park Gateway – commencement of works
The Government is investing $1 million, including upgraded viewing platforms, tracks, toilets and car parks at key locations, including Devil’s Kitchen, Tasman Arch and Fortescue Bay.

Completion of upgrades at Montagu Bay Primary School
The $1.7 million investment at Montagu Bay Primary will provide students with contemporary learning spaces.

Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme commissioned
The Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme (SIS) will deliver high reliability irrigation water to areas of Scottsdale, Springfield, Bridport and Waterhouse. The Scheme is the fifth and last project under construction as part of the Tasmanian Irrigation Tranche 2 program.

Completion of the Elwick Track redevelopment
The $12.5 million redevelopment of the Elwick Thoroughbred Race Track in Glenorchy will provide an enhanced 28 metre wide track, ensuring the long-term future of racing in Southern Tasmania.

Cradle Mountain – Stage Two improvements
Stage Two of the Government’s $30 million Cradle Mountain Visitor Experience – the completion of the car park landscaping and the demolition of the old visitor centre – will be completed.
SECOND YEAR AGENDA - Building Your Future

QUARTER ONE: April to June 2019

**Release of the Freycinet Master Plan**
The Master Plan will facilitate the protection and management of what makes the Freycinet Peninsula unique and special for all Tasmanians, while ensuring it can continue to play an important part in the tourism industry by providing a world-class visitor experience.

**Strahan Bond Store – completion of works**
In order to attract further investor interest in our vibrant visitor economy, the Government is investing $300,000 to complete essential heritage maintenance works.

**Supporting our veterans**
Tasmania has scores of RSLs and veterans bodies providing support and services to our returned service personnel. The Government’s Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program is helping our RSLs and veterans further, and recipients of the second grant round will be announced.

**Open the Men’s Shed Grant round 2019**
The Men’s Shed Grant Program is open to all Tasmanian Men’s Shed Association members as well as non-members, to support capacity building and the sustainable development of Men’s Sheds in Tasmania.

**Release consultation feedback report on the Review of the Model for Returning Land to the Aboriginal community**
The Government is committed to a review of the land return model and to investigate opportunities to progress future land handback and joint management opportunities.

**Statewide Fallow Deer census commenced**
The Government is delivering on its plan to modernise the approach to managing Tasmania’s wild fallow deer population, to help landholders, farmers, hunters and other stakeholders to effectively manage deer. A statewide census of wild deer populations will assess the distribution and numbers of wild fallow deer.

**Complete works on the Nubeena Jetty**
The extension works on the jetty will improve access for recreational and commercial vessels due to the Port Arthur jetty often being utilised by cruise boat visitors.

**Open the first of the upgraded toilets and amenities at high profile trout fishing locations**
Some 26,000 anglers enjoy Tasmania’s world-class trout fishery each year, including thousands of visiting anglers. To support high visitation fishing locations, the Inland Fisheries Service, in collaboration with Anglers Alliance Tasmania, will build and upgrade community amenities at these sites.

**Maria Island infrastructure and heritage improvements**
Stage 1 of the Maria Island Waste Water system (the campground day use connection) will be completed as part of the Government’s $4 million investment on Maria Island.

**Release Discussion Paper to inform the review of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975**
A review of the Act is required by August 2020. The Discussion Paper will define the scope of the review and seek and guide comment on the operation and effectiveness of the Act.

Developed in consultation with industry experts and stakeholders, the draft Waste Action Plan aims to make Tasmania the tidiest State with the lowest incidence of litter in the country through a range of initiatives.
Maria Island infrastructure and heritage improvements
As part of the Government’s $4 million investment to improve infrastructure and heritage sites at Maria Island, the barge landing ramp will be completed.

Commence Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan trial of extended season for selected rivers
The Government is committed to improving access to Tasmania’s world-class inland fisheries. For the 2019/20 season the Inland Fisheries Service will trial extended access for selected rivers, for example Brumby’s Creek and the lower reaches of the South Esk and Macquarie Rivers.

Launch the Litter Reporting App
The Government will launch the new smartphone app to help report litter hotspots.

Finalise Quality Deer Management statement
A clear and contemporary statement articulating Quality Deer Management will be finalised in conjunction with the Tasmanian Game Council and stakeholders to set the basis for the future management of wild fallow deer in Tasmania.

Climate Change
The Government will progress amendments to the Climate Change (State Action) Act 2008 to provide a strong framework for leadership and action on climate change.

Freycinet – shared use trail
A 5.1km shared use track will connect walkers and cyclists from the Freycinet Visitor Centre to the Wineglass Bay Car Park. Stage 1 of the trail (from Ranger Creek to Honeymoon Bay) will be completed.

Open the next round of the Agricultural Show Development Program
The Government is providing funding to enable rural and regional show societies across Tasmania, to upgrade vital community infrastructure to allow these iconic community events to continue into the future.

Helping anglers get access to lakes and rivers
The Inland Fisheries Service Plan aims to improve access to Tasmania’s world-class inland fisheries. In partnership with Anglers Alliance Tasmania and local angling clubs, the IFS will extend the anglers access program across priority lakes and rivers.

Open next round of the Teddy Sheean Memorial Grant Program
The next round of the Grant Program will be opened for repairs and maintenance to RSLs and ex-serving organisations.

Litter and community clean-ups
In line with an election promise, the Government will initiate using Community Corrections Offenders to conduct community clean-ups and rubbish removal from Parks, reserves and public areas.

Levelling the Playing Field – Round 2 grant program
The Government’s $10 million Levelling the Playing Field program is the largest investment per capita of any State or Territory in facilities for women and girls sport, providing grants between $15,000 and $1 million per project to build new facilities or upgrading existing facilities.
Remarkable Cave – complete upgraded facilities and walking tracks
The Government is investing $4 million to upgrade the Cape Raoul track and complete the Three Capes track walking experience. The Remarkable Cave site is also getting a complete facelift, with walking track upgrades on the Remarkable Cave-Crescent Bay-Mt Brown Walking track.

Enhance policing of marine pollution
Legislation will be introduced to replace the Pollution of Waters by Oil and Noxious Substance Act 1987, so Tasmania is in line with the equivalent legislation of the Commonwealth and other States, and the Northern Territory, to ensure that Tasmania can effectively deal with ship-based and other marine pollution incidents.

Introduce the Cat Management Amendment Bill to Parliament
A key action in the Tasmanian Cat Management Plan is to improve the legislative framework that underpins effective cat management to support greater levels of responsible cat ownership.

Tasmania to host the World Fly Fishing Championships
Tasmania has some of the world’s best trout fisheries, which will be on show for the 19th World Fly Fishing Championship. Through the Inland Fisheries Service, Tourism Tasmania and sponsorship, the Government is strongly supporting the event, which will increase the exposure of the State as a premium angling-tourism destination.
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QUARTER THREE: October to December 2019

Freycinet – shared use trail
A 5.1km shared use track will connect walkers and cyclists from the Freycinet Visitor Centre to the Wineglass Bay Car Park. Stage 2 of the trail (from Honeymoon Bay to Wineglass Bay Car Park will be completed.

First new Tasmanian-built SeaLink Bruny Island vessel added to the Bruny Island Ferry Service
The first of two new vessels for the Bruny Island Ferry Service will be built by Richardson Devine Marine in Tasmania, and is planned to be in service by the end of 2019.

Announce the successful Show Societies under the Agricultural Show Development Program
In line with an election commitment, the Government is providing funding to enable rural and regional show societies across Tasmania to upgrade vital community infrastructure to ensure these iconic community events can continue into the future.

Implement next phase of East Coast rock lobster translocation project
The second phase of the Translocation Project will continue to help rebuild our East Coast Rock Lobster Fishery for commercial and recreational fishers through the relocation of healthy populations from the South-West. With targeted placement, the Translocation Program will also help control the long-spined sea urchin (Centrostephanus rodgersii).

Announce successful applicants to the Men’s Shed Grant Round 2019
The program supports capacity building and the sustainable development of Men’s Sheds in Tasmania, in line with our election commitment.

Release Consultation Feedback on the review of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975
A review of the Act is required by August 2020. The Consultation Feedback will outline the themes and comments received in relation to the operation and effectiveness of the Act.

Collection of first round data for short-stay accommodation legislation
Once passed through Parliament, the first round of data will be collected under new legislation to ensure everyone is playing within the rules, and to provide a clearer picture of the short-stay accommodation sector across Tasmania.
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QUARTER FOUR: January to March 2020

Overland Track Huts – commencement of upgrade
Construction will begin as part of the Government’s $3 million investment to improve the condition of the Overland Track huts.

Commence next phase of opening additional reserves for regulated recreational wild fallow deer hunting
The Government is opening more public land for recreational deer hunting – an important tradition and way of life in Tasmania. Providing strictly controlled access for recreational hunting to take place in reserves and public land will help to manage wild fallow deer in natural areas.

New Children’s Exhibition at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery
In line with an election commitment, the Government is investing $1 million to develop a new permanent Children’s Exhibition at TMAG. We will release concepts for the new exhibition.

Commence roll-out of Veterans Active Recreation Program
In partnership with the Parks and Wildlife Service, the Government will provide an active recreation program in our National Parks for returned service personnel. The Program will have a focus on mental health and wellbeing, and links to pathways to training and employment in outdoor education and/or eco-tourism.

Release the Tasmanian Acid Mine Drainage Guidelines as part of the Mining Sector Innovation Program
The Government has committed $1 million over four years to a Program to keep the industry at the cutting edge of technology and best practice. This work is being conducted in conjunction with the Tasmanian Minerals and Energy Council and the University of Tasmania’s Centre of Excellence in Ore Deposits (CODES).