Northern Correctional Facility

Public Consultation on future use of the Ashley Youth Detention Centre site

The Tasmanian Government is committed to building a Northern Correctional Facility (NCF) to optimise the delivery of the State's prison service. The closure of Ashley Youth Detention Centre (AYDC) presents an opportunity to potentially consider the development of this important infrastructure project at this alternative location. Preliminary desktop assessment undertaken by the Department of Justice (DoJ) indicates that the site appears to be well suited as a location for a modern, fit for purpose correctional facility in northern Tasmania, with a custodial facility a permitted use within the current zone for the site under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme for the Meander Valley.

The Tasmanian Government will engage with the local Meander Valley community on the future use of the AYDC site <u>before making any decision</u>. Therefore, DoJ is seeking input from the local community on the option of the future use of AYDC site for the development of the NCF. Consultation with the community and key stakeholders will help inform the Government in making a decision on the future use of the AYDC site and its suitability for this project.

A series of shop front style information booths will be set up in Deloraine and its surrounds, to provide information to, and hear directly from, community members. The shop front/drop in sessions will be held in various locations across the Meander Valley over a 5 week period with the locations and dates for these sessions provided in the table below.

| Location | Date | Time |
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| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Wednesday 9 February 2022 | 12.00pm-4.00pm |
| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Wednesday 9 February 2022 | 6.00pm-7:30pm |
| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Thursday 10 February 2022 | 9.00am-1.00pm |
| Westbury Recreation Ground Clubhouse & Function Centre, Westbury | Tuesday 15 February 2022 | 12.00pm-4.00pm |
| Westbury Recreation Ground Clubhouse & Function Centre, Westbury | Tuesday 15 February 2022 | 6.00рт-7:30рт |
| Westbury Recreation Ground Clubhouse & Function Centre, Westbury | Thursday 17 February 2022 | 10.00am-3.00pm |
| Elizabeth Town Cafe, Elizabeth Town** | Tuesday 22 February 2022 | 12.00pm-4.00pm |
| Elizabeth Town Cafe, Elizabeth Town** | Thursday 24 February 2022 | 11.00am-3.00pm |
| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Tuesday I March 2022 | 12.00pm-4.00pm |
| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Tuesday I March 2022 | 6.00pm-7.30pm |
| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Thursday 3 March 2022 | 10.00am-2.00pm |
| Empire Hotel, Deloraine* | Saturday 5 March 2022 | 10.00am-1.00pm |
| Deloraine Community Complex | Tuesday 8 March 2022 | 12.00pm-4.00pm |
| Deloraine Community Complex | Tuesday 8 March 2022 | 6.00pm-7.30pm |
| Deloraine Community Complex | Thursday 10 March 2022 | 10.00am-2.00pm |
| Deloraine Community Complex | Saturday 12 March 2022 | 10.00am-1.00pm |

*Any member of the community that has access needs to the function room at the Empire Hotel is recommended to enter from the rear of the building where there is level access to the room

**Any member of the community that cannot access the function room at ETC, should call 6165 6793 and a project team member will meet with them on the ground level.

DoJ strongly encourages anyone in the area who has a view on this project and its potential development at the AYDC site to engage with the project team during these sessions. Members of the public can also make a submission either by email to northerncorrectionalfacility@justice.tas.gov.au or by post to the Department of Justice, Strategic Infrastructure Projects, PO Box 56, ROSNY PARK TAS 7018.

