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### **Local government welcomes the release of the Final Report from the Future of Local Government Review**

The Government's timely release of the final report of the Local Government Review has been welcomed by Tasmanian councils.

LGAT President and Break O'Day mayor Mick Tucker said "we are grateful that the Minister for Local Government has released the final report from the Local Government Board promptly after it was provided to Government.

"We welcome the extended timeframe the sector has been provided to review the recommendations."

As the level of government closest to communities, local government supports a reform process that delivers change in the best interest of Tasmanians. But our sector needs time to digest the proposed reforms.

"Councils will work through the recommendations over the next few months to help inform the Government on what the sectors priorities are going forward," Mayor Tucker said.

"It is essential the implementation of the priority reforms is a genuine partnership between the local government sector and the State Government. This must include appropriate support for our sector to support implementation, as it must not be forgotten that the important day-to-day work of councils continues alongside these reforms," said Mayor Tucker.

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