



CENTRAL HOBART PRECINCTS PLAN

KEY ISSUES

A number of key issues will be considered during the preparation of the Central Hobart Precincts Plan. The issues have been identified through the analysis of the current conditions, as well as the future economic, demographic and employment projections for the Central Hobart area.

All key issues are presented in the Baseline Report available at yoursay.hobartcity.com.au/central-hobart-precincts-plan

This document is a summary of Chapter 2 of the Baseline Report. For full details, please refer to the report, pp. 17–27.

COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL FACILITIES

Community and cultural facilities are places, spaces, organisations and services that provide a means for people to meet their social and wellbeing needs and strengthen the individual and communal interests and interconnectivity of society.

Given the role of Hobart as the state capital, many of the facilities that exist within the boundaries of the study area serve the needs of the community on a city, region and statewide basis.

Central Hobart is currently experiencing higher levels of reported loneliness and isolation as a result of a more fragmented society.

Responding to the service pressures and adapting to the emerging themes within the community and cultural sectors will influence the strategic planning for the study area with the following key issues to be considered:

- Housing affordability, choice of housing options and increasing homelessness, with particular focus on the high and expanding numbers of key workers such as medical staff who work within the precinct.
- A requirement to accommodate the needs of the increasing number of permanent residents, young professionals, visitors and tertiary students by providing new services and additional social infrastructure such as medical facilities, childcare and schools, aged care and community centres, libraries, outdoor spaces, including community gardens and allotments, and access to food services.
- The need to retain the existing key community, cultural and social support facilities as pressure on land availability and development increases, and Central Hobart servicing local residents as well as the wider Hobart area and surrounds.
- Retaining affordable space for artists within Central Hobart is desirable, to support the role of Hobart as a creative centre.
- The need to retain creative spaces in inner city and finding opportunities to foster and strengthen the area around Campbell Street as a creative and cultural 'hub' emerging with the recent construction of the University of Tasmania Hedberg performing arts and creative industries building.



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