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Andrew Giles MP Shadow Minister for Cities and Urban Infrastructure andrew.giles.mp@aph.gov.au

Dear Mr Giles

### **GLENORCHY CITY COUNCIL FEDERAL ELECTION PRIORITIES 2022**

We are writing to you as a candidate in the upcoming Federal election, to seek your commitment to projects of great importance to voters in the Glenorchy community.

Glenorchy City Council is pleased to present the opportunity to partner with us to deliver three key projects, should you be elected on 21 May. This is a unique opportunity to commit to investing in important community infrastructure projects of significance to our community, being Tolosa Park, Playspaces and the future of the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool.

We have **enclosed** a brief overview of these projects for your reference. For further details on these and also other projects you might like to consider investing in, you can scan the QR code below.

Glenorchy City Council is calling on all Federal Election candidates to commit to investing in our municipality through this election and will actively promote all candidates' responses.

We would appreciate it if you could **please complete and return the attached form** to indicate your commitment, **by 12 May 2022**. In return, we will work with your media team to promote your response, both during and after the campaign.

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these projects further, and also to host you for a personal tour of these facilities over the next month, if your diary allows.

With kindness

**Bec Thomas** 

Mayor of Glenorchy

Tony McMullen

**General Manager** 



Scan to view the Glenorchy Investment Prospectus 2022

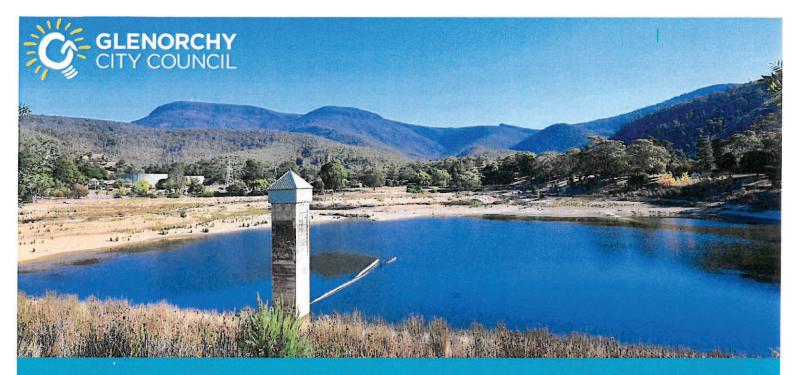
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|         | \$13.5 million towards the realisation of the Tolosa Park Masterplan, building on the co-investment of Glenorchy City Council and TasWater |
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|         | \$1.5 million towards the renewal of Playspaces across the municipality, in line with Glenorchy City Council's Playspace Strategy          |
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|         | \$150,000 to investigate the future of the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool   |
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|         | \$ for other projects identified in Glenorchy City Council's Investment Prospectus   |
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Thank you for considering our investment opportunities and best wishes for a successful

campaign.



### Glenorchy City Council Federal Election Priorities

The 2022 Federal Election presents an opportunity for investment in important community infrastructure projects that will deliver significant economic and social benefits to the people of Glenorchy and Greater Hobart. Investment in Glenorchy City Council's top 3 priority projects will provide lasting benefits to our city and ensure it continues to grow and thrive with the rest of the region.

### Tolosa Park Master Plan



## AN ICONIC REGIONAL PARKLAND FOR GREATER HOBART

Glenorchy City Council is seeking investment partners to realise the Tolosa Park Masterplan vision to transform the park into an iconic recreational space. The investment would see Tolosa Park become the jewel in the crown of Southern Tasmania's recreation network by leveraging off significant joint TasWater - Glenorchy City Council co-investment from decommissioning the former Tolosa Reservoir.

Set in a forested valley in the foothills of kunanyi/Mt. Wellington, 5 minutes drive from the Glenorchy CBD and less than 20 minutes from the centre of Hobart, Tolosa Park provides a natural bushland setting for events and concerts, and offers multiple recreational opportunities. It has become a much-loved destination for families from Glenorchy and the broader Southern Tasmanian community.



### **FUNDING SOUGHT**

The cost to transform the decommissioned reservoir into a world-class regional parkland as envisaged in the Tolosa Park Masterplan is estimated at \$13 million.

### WHY INVEST?

Investment in this shovel-ready project will benefit Greater Hobart and southern Tasmania by providing an iconic, multiuse parkland that will attract visitors and families from across the region, while increasing the liveability of Glenorchy and providing significant economic benefits.

### Playspaces Glenorchy



# TRANSFORMING PLAYGROUNDS ACROSS HOBART'S NORTHERN SUBURBS

Glenorchy's playspaces and playground equipment are ageing and out of step with contemporary facilities in other municipalities. The people of Glenorchy are crying out for immediate improvements. Around 82% of our playspaces are over 15 years old with 68% over 20 years old and in need of immediate attention.

In line with community expectations, reinvesting in our play equipment and playspaces remains a priority in Council's capital works program. However, to achieve this in the short-term would not be possible without Federal Government support.

Any funding obtained would be invested wisely under Council's 2021 Playspace Strategy to optimise Council's playground network, ensuring any renewals and upgrades are delivered to the most used and needed facilities.

### **FUNDING SOUGHT**

Council seeks funding of \$1.5 million to provide the people of Glenorchy with renewed and upgraded playspaces across our city.

#### WHY INVEST?

Funding our Playspace Transformation Program will transform 10 existing playspaces across the city into contemporary, accessible and attractive family spaces, which will enhance and add value to our city and mean a great deal to the people of Glenorchy.

**Note:** Federal Labor has committed to funding this project.





### INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF THE GLENORCHY'S HISTORIC PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL

Council strives for all Glenorchy residents to be healthy and active through the strategic provision of sustainable, adaptable, multi-purpose sport and recreation infrastructure that meets community needs and encourages participation in sport and recreation.



The Glenorchy War Memorial Pool is an historic swimming centre located in the Glenorchy CBD. However, it lacks year-round indoor warm water access and multiple pools of varying depths and temperatures, has poor accessibility, ageing food and beverage amenities and limited opportunities to provide other health and fitness activities.

### **FUNDING SOUGHT**

Glenorchy City Council is seeking \$150,000 to undertake a full assessment of the pool to determine the investment required for a full upgrade of the facility. This will include engagement with the community on what a future facility might include and whether to retain the unique outdoor setting or develop an indoor facility.

### WHY INVEST

Our community has told us they want to see the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool upgraded. This is the first step towards turning our community's vision into reality, providing certainty for the future of a key piece of recreational infrastructure for the northern suburbs of Hobart, which will contribute to an active, healthy and vibrant Glenorchy.

