## Media release

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## Work has begun to repair, refurbish and reopen the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool

Glenorchy Mayor Sue Hickey inspected the site today with Hutchinson Builders Team Leader Nick Silcox, Project Manager Tim Ziegeler and Site Manager Gordon Manson with the initial phase of works now underway.

"This is an extremely exciting day for Glenorchy. I know many people in our community are eagerly looking forward to having the pool reopened and again being able to use it as a community facility, enjoying all the benefits it brings."

Mayor Hickey said works were scheduled to be completed in the middle of next year, with the pool being ready to open ahead of summer 2026.

"To the many people who lobbied to make this happen, and to those who worked closely with Council as we navigated our way through the complexities of what was an ageing and unsafe facility, I say a heartfelt thank you.

"Community pools are important. They provide access not only to water-based recreation, fitness opportunities and lifesaving learn-to-swim programs, but they also serve as hubs for people to gather and socialise, helping everyone live healthy, active and connected lifestyles.

"We also know that this facility doesn't just service the Glenorchy area. Many people from nearby municipal areas rely on this facility for water-based activity, which is one reason we are committed to eventually redeveloping the site and building a contemporary aquatic centre to service the entire region.

"I would also like to thank the State Government for its \$5 million funding contribution to this project and acknowledge that there was bipartisan support for this funding, demonstrating the importance of this facility to the Glenorchy community."

Mayor Hickey said works would include plant room repairs, pool and pool infrastructure repairs, construction of an accessible ramp in the 50m pool, changeroom refurbishment, repairs to the concourse and external pavement around the pool, grandstand repairs and improvements, new pool heating system, and tiling and sealing of the 50m pool.

"This is a big project, and I am pleased that we have an experienced building firm with a strong Tasmanian presence in Hutchinson Builders undertaking these works.

"I'm looking forward, as no doubt are many other pool users in our community and beyond, to the day we can reopen the pool and get back into the water," she said.

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