

# TASMANIAN PLANNING COMMISSION



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Mr Kim Evans  
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Macquarie Point Development Corporation

By email: [contact@macpoint.com](mailto:contact@macpoint.com)

Dear Mr Evans

## **Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium - Project of State Significance Integrated assessment process**

As you are aware the Commission will commence the integrated assessment when all reports are provided to it by the Macquarie Point Development Corporation, noting that the Corporation is "...responsible for progressing the project"<sup>1</sup>.

In my letter of 22 February 2024, I drew attention to the process to be followed by the Commission in relation to completion of the integrated assessment and to the report to be submitted to the Minister as required by s26(1) of the *State Policies and Projects Act 1993* (the Act).

Mention was made of the requirements to notify agencies of the integrated assessment and to consult with same in relation to the preparation of the draft integrated assessment report.

Please note that the Commission has determined that the Macquarie Point Development Corporation – as the owner of the land on which the project is proposed to be carried out – is an 'agency' as defined by section 3 of the Act, having an interest in the project.

Accordingly, the Corporation has involvement with the project in two, separate, respects. The first is as the agent of the proponent (the State) to progress it as the Premier has advised; and the second is as an agency having an interest (observing that a number of other entities have also been determined to be an 'agency' having an interest in the project). In the latter capacity the Corporation will be given formal notice of the commencement of the integrated assessment and it will have 28 days (or such longer period as the Commission may allow) to make submissions to the Commission setting out its views in relation to the project – see section 21(2) of the Act. Of course it may well be that the Corporation does not seek to make any such submissions pursuant to that sub-section, if it considers that the submission(s) it makes when it delivers the reports are sufficient. That is a matter for the Corporation.

In addition, the Commission will consult with the Corporation (and the other agencies) in relation to the preparation of the draft integrated assessment report, as required by section 22 of the Act.

In that regard, the Commission will hold meetings with the agencies as required, including to explore matters raised in their submissions.

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<sup>1</sup> Letter from the Premier to the Executive Director dated 27 November 2023.

The Commission will establish procedures and communication protocols to apply at the meetings to ensure there is transparency in the scope and outcomes of these meetings.

The point of this letter is to advise of the determination made by the Commission that the Corporation is an 'agency' having an interest; to point out the dual roles it has in consequence; and to advise of what the Commission proposes.

If you have any queries or otherwise wish to raise any matter(s) then please do not hesitate to contact me.

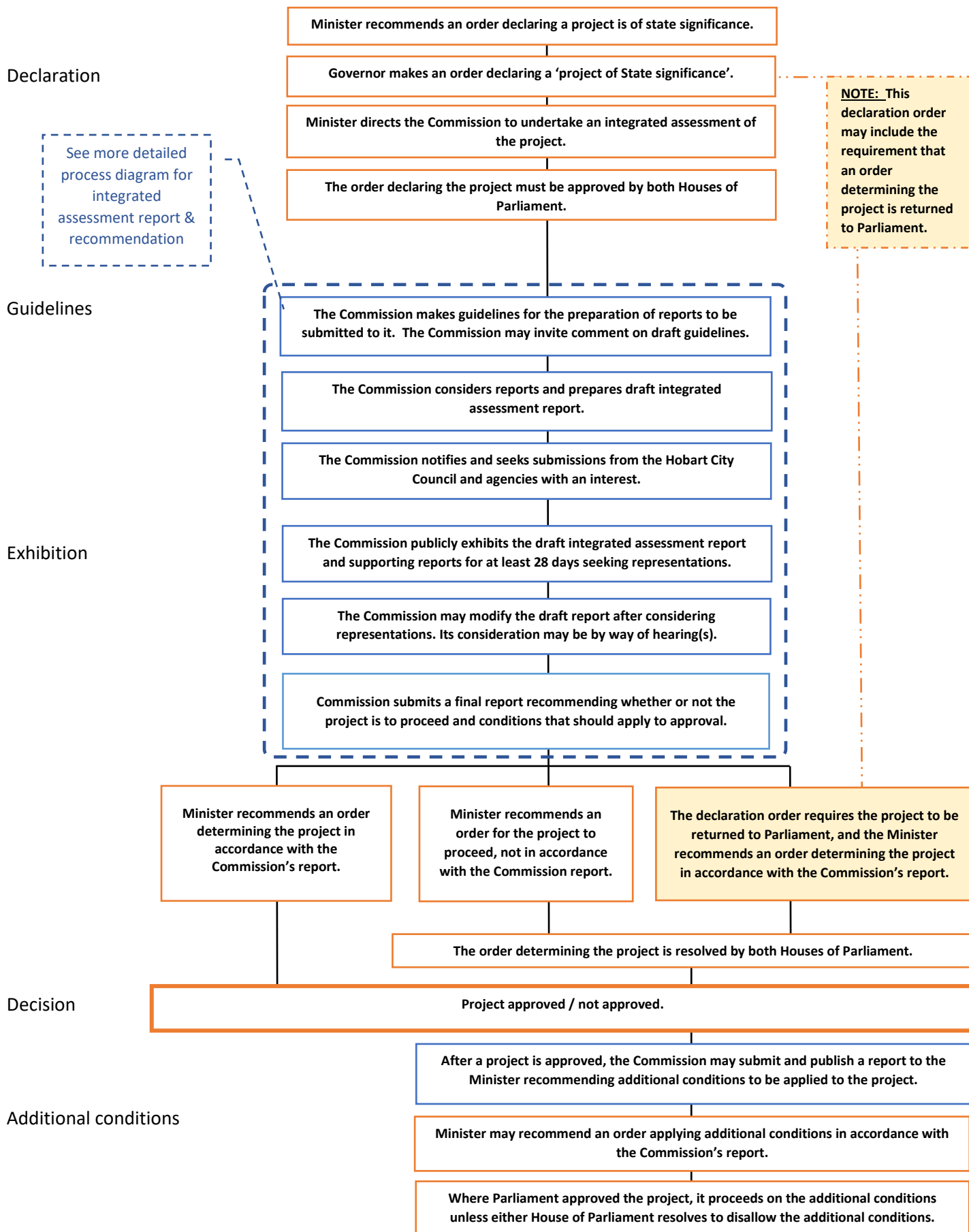
Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Ramsay'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'John' and the last name 'Ramsay' clearly distinguishable.

John Ramsay  
**Executive Commissioner**

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## Assessment of projects of state significance Part 3, State Policies and Projects Act 1993 Macquarie Point Multi-Purpose Stadium



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## Integrated assessment report and recommendation to Minister *Macquarie Point Multi-Purpose Stadium*

### Preparation of reports

The Commission writes to the Hobart City Council and agencies to inform them that they have been identified as 'relevant agencies'.

Macquarie Point Corporation (Corporation) is invited to submit reports which address the matters in the guidelines as well as its views on the merit of the proposed project.

Prior to submitting reports, the Corporation may liaise with staff of the Commission on how relevant matters are addressed.

### Views on project from Council & Agencies

The Commission commences its assessment when all reports have been received from the Corporation.

The Commission notifies and seeks written submissions from the Hobart City Council and agencies.

### Consultation with Council & Agencies

The Commission will hold meetings with the Hobart City Council and agencies as required, including to clarify or explore matters raised in their submissions.

The Commission may seek specialist professional advice on matters it is addressing.

Following its consideration of advice, the Commission may:

- hold further meetings with the Hobart City Council or agencies; and will
- provide the Corporation with an opportunity to respond.

### Public exhibition of draft IAR

The Commission prepares its draft integrated assessment report (IAR) and publicly exhibits it, along with any submissions received.

Representations may be submitted by any person during the exhibition period. The Commission must consider representations.

The Commission may hold hearings in relation to representations. The Corporation will be invited to participate in any hearings.

### Final IAR and recommendation

Following the process above, the Commission may modify the draft IAR.

The Commission submits a report to Minister with a recommendation on whether or not the project should proceed, and if so on what conditions.