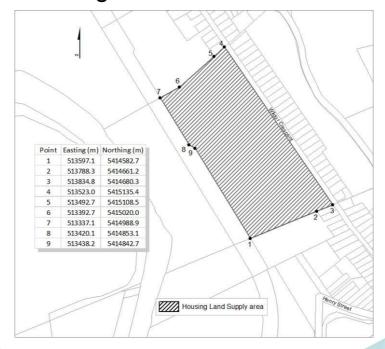
# Proposed Housing Land Supply (Ravenswood) Order 2022

50 Wildor Crescent, Ravenswood Consultation Package





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## Summary of the proposed Order

The intent of the proposed Housing Land Supply (Ravenswood) Order 2022 (the proposed Order) is to dedicate the land shown in the plan at Schedule 2 of the proposed Order as Housing Land Supply Land and rezone the land to the General Residential Zone under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. The land forms part of 50 Wildor Crescent, Ravenswood (title reference FR180099/2, formerly FR 159118/1).

This will ensure that the land becomes part of the housing portfolio for the Director of Housing (future Homes Tasmania), enabling the land to be used for additional housing.

The area of land is approximately 12.5 hectares.

Future development of the land is still to be planned by the Director of Housing.

## How to find out further information

Further information about the proposed Order and the Housing Land Supply Act 2018 (the HLS Act) can be found at <a href="https://www.planningreform.tas.gov.au">www.planningreform.tas.gov.au</a>.

Enquiries about the HLS Act and the proposed Order can be made to the State Planning Office on 1300 703 977.

Enquiries regarding any development that may be proposed on the land can be made to the Department of Communities Tasmania on 1800 995 653 or email:

HousingProjects@communities.tas.gov.au.

## How to make a submission

The public are invited to make submissions in relation to the proposed Order within the exhibition period.

Submissions may be made

by email to -

yoursay.planning@dpac.tas.gov.au or

by post to -

State Planning Office

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Submissions may be made with respect to the relevant matters specified in section 13(2) of the HLS Act as follows:

- the suitability for residential use of the area of land;
- the suitability of the intended zone;

• whether the Minister would, or would not, contravene section 5(2) or section 6(1) or (2) of the HLS Act by making a housing land supply order.

# Minister's reasons to make the Housing Land Supply Order

My reasons for wanting to make a housing land supply order in the form of the proposed Order are as follows –

- 1. The HLS Act was a key action identified at the Housing Summit hosted by the then Premier on 15 March 2018 as a means of providing more social and affordable housing.
- 2. There is a clear need to make more land available under the *Homes Act 1935* to enable the provision of additional social and affordable housing in Tasmania, with over 4407 applications on the Communities Tasmania Housing Register as at February 2022.
- 3. The site is suitable for future development for social and affordable housing but needs to be rezoned before the approval and construction of new homes on the land.
- 4. The proposed Order will provide more land zoned for residential purposes and then through the construction of homes on this land, contribute toward achieving the targets for the supply of more social and affordable homes in the Greater Launceston area, as set out in Tasmania's Affordable Housing Strategy 2015-2025.

# Minister's opinion on compliance with the Housing Land Supply Act 2018

The reasons why I am of the opinion that the proposed Order may be made under the HLS Act and why I am satisfied that I would not contravene section 5(2), or section 6(1) or (2) of the HLS Act by making the proposed order are as follows –

- 1. The land is eligible Government land, and not more than 5 years has elapsed since the making of the HLS Act, as required by section 5(1) of the HLS Act.
- 2. I am satisfied that there is a need to make more land available under the *Homes Act 1935* to enable the provision of additional social and affordable housing in Greater Launceston, as required by section 5(2)(a) of the HLS Act. Currently there are over 754 applications on the Communities Tasmania Housing Register for the Greater Launceston area as at October 2021, which are 'eligible persons' looking to find social or affordable homes.
- 3. I am satisfied, for the reasons detailed in the planning submission prepared by Pitt & Sherry Pty Ltd for the Department of Communities Tasmania, that:
  - a) the land is suitable for residential use and development by virtue of its location in the Greater Launceston urban area and with close proximity to public and commercial services, public transport and places that may provide opportunities for employment, as required by section 5(2)(b) of the HLS Act;
  - b) applying the General Residential Zone to the area of land would be consistent with the State Policies and the Northern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy 2021 (NTRLUS), as required by section 6(1)(a) of the HLS Act;
  - c) if the General Residential Zone were to apply to the land, the use or development of the land for residential purposes would not be significantly restricted by any code that would apply to the land under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme as required by section 6(1)(b) of the HLS Act;
  - d) assigning the General Residential Zone to the land would further the objectives set out in Schedule I of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, as required by section 6(1)(c) of the HLS Act;
  - e) after consideration of the guidelines under section 8A of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, assigning the General Residential Zone would be consistent with the zone purpose in the State Planning Provisions, as required by section 6(1)(d) of the HLS Act; and
  - f) use or development of the land for residential purposes be unlikely to create significant land use conflict with an existing use on the land or with use or development on adjacent land or with any other land near to the land, as required by section 6(1)(f) of the HLS Act.
- 4. I have undertaken a preliminary consideration of the environmental, economic and social effects, and the effects on Aboriginal and cultural heritage, that assigning the General Residential Zone to the land may have, as required by section 6(I)(e) of the HLS Act. I will seek further expert advice on these matters during the public exhibition period.

5. The General Residential Zone will apply all of the land subject to the proposed Order and section 6(2)(b) of the HLS Act does not apply to the proposed Order.

## Frequently Asked Questions

#### The Process in General

## Why was the Housing Land Supply Act 2018 created?

The HLS Act was created in 2018 to help address housing supply issues in Hobart and around the State with respect to social and affordable housing.

The HLS Act created a process that can run more quickly than the normal planning processes to help accelerate the supply of land for social and affordable housing. Only government land is eligible for consideration under this Act.

Further information on the HLS Act and previous Orders can be found here - <a href="https://planningreform.tas.gov.au/updates/housing-land-supply-orders">https://planningreform.tas.gov.au/updates/housing-land-supply-orders</a> or by contacting the Department of Premier and Cabinet's State Planning Office on 1300 703 977 or <a href="mailto:stateplanning@dpac.tas.gov.au">stateplanning@dpac.tas.gov.au</a>

## How does the process work under the Housing Land Supply Act 2018?

The Department of Communities Tasmania identify surplus Government land that is suitable for affordable housing and prepare a report demonstrating that the site meets with the requirements of the HLS Act. The HLS Act requires that the site must be suitable for residential development and located in close proximity to public transport, business and social services.

The Department of Communities Tasmania makes a request to the Minister for Planning for a proposed Housing Land Supply Order for suitable Government land.

The Minister for Planning considers the request in accordance with the HLS Act and undertakes consultation on a proposed Order. This includes direct consultation with people who live or own property surrounding the site of the proposed Order and any identified interest groups or persons who may have an interest in the proposed Order.

The Minister for Planning considers any submissions received during the consultation and prepares a report to table in Parliament. Parliament gets to see all submissions that are made during the consultation.

For the Order to be considered by Parliament, it must meet the requirements set out in the HLS Act including that: a site must be eligible and suitable for residential development; is consistent with the relevant regional land use strategy; is consistent with relevant State policies; and also furthers the objectives of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 (which is the same level of assessment applied to rezoning applications under the normal planning processes).

Both houses of Parliament consider the Minister's report and the proposed Order and may disallow the proposed Order or allow the proposed Order to proceed.

If the proposed Order proceeds, the Minister for Planning then directs the Tasmanian Planning Commission to amend the relevant planning scheme to align with the made Order.

## How can I present my views on the proposed Order?

You can lodge a written submission with the Minister for Planning during the public consultation period for the proposed Order.

The process requires the Minister for Planning to consider the written submissions with reference to the requirements set out in the HLS Act before tabling a report to Parliament.

## Who will assess development proposals on the land?

The Minister for Planning does not assess future development proposals on the land once the land is rezoned.

The Department of Communities Tasmania, or someone acting on their behalf, will lodge a development application with the local Council as the planning authority. The planning authority will determine the application in accordance with the planning scheme that applies at the time.

## Specific to the Housing Land Supply (Ravenswood) Order 2022

## What development will occur on the site?

At the time of proposing the Order, the Department of Communities Tasmania did not have a set plan for development of the land. Further information on their plans can be obtained by contacting Department of Communities Tasmania, Portfolio and Supply unit on 1800 995 or email: <a href="mailto:HousingProjects@communities.tas.gov.au">HousingProjects@communities.tas.gov.au</a>.

Some examples of residential development that may occur under the General Residential Zone are single dwellings, multiple dwellings, subdivision of the land or shared accommodation facilities. These are similar in nature to the development that already adjoin this land.

After the land is rezoned, a proposal for the land will be submitted to Launceston City Council for assessment against the provisions of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme which consists of the State Planning Provisions and the Launceston Local Provisions Schedule. This follows the normal planning development application processes. The Tasmanian Planning Scheme as it applies to the Launceston City Council area can be viewed at <a href="https://www.iplan.tas.gov.au">www.iplan.tas.gov.au</a>.

## How will natural and scenic values on the land be managed?

The land is largely cleared with a few mature eucalyptus trees near the frontage in the northern corner of the site. A natural values assessment report submitted with the planning submission indicates that the site is infested with weeds and contains no threatened flora species, threatened fauna habitat, or threatened native vegetation communities. Native vegetation currently present at the site would be maintained in the building setback areas.

The planning submission indicates that rezoning the site will complement adjoining residential development to the north-west. The lower part of the site will include parkland-style public open space, which will provide complementary transition toward the railway line and the cleared agricultural paddocks on the floodplain adjacent the river.

Future residential subdivision will be designed to incorporate tree-lined streets, with trees and other vegetation planted on residential lots and in public open space, with water sensitive urban design features to mitigate impact on landscape values. This will create a contemporary sustainable residential area with a high-quality environment for future residents. Landscape impacts of future residential development on the site will be significantly mitigated by tree planting on the future residential subdivision and building setback areas to soften the landscape impacts.

# How would Aboriginal heritage and relics in the vicinity of the site be protected?

Aboriginal heritage assessment undertaken at the site to identify Aboriginal constraints shows that there are no registered Aboriginal heritage sites, suspected features or specific areas of elevated archaeological potential situated within the boundaries of the site. The assessment report confirmed that the proposed residential development will have no impact on any Aboriginal heritage and cultural values.

An Unanticipated Discovery Plan has been prepared to manage and protect any previously undetected archaeological sites or objects found on the site during construction works in accordance with the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975*.

## How will the risks from bushfire hazards be managed?

The site is currently within the Bushfire-Prone Areas overlay under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. The future residential subdivision of the land will be subject to the Bushfire-Prone Areas Code to ensure the use and development is designed, located, serviced, and constructed to reduce the risk to human life and property, and the cost to the community caused by bushfires. The planning submission prepared by Pitt & Sherry Pty Ltd, on behalf of the Department of Communities Tasmania, demonstrates that the land can accommodate a future residential subdivision which incorporates hazard management areas that achieve the separation distance required for Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) 19.

# How will the site be protected from noise from the nearby railway line?

Future development on the land for residential use will subject to consideration under the Road and Railway Assets Code. This will ensure the effects of noise and vibrations on sensitive uses are mitigated. The planning submission prepared by Pitt & Sherry Pty Ltd, on behalf of the Department of Communities Tasmania, suggests that a 50m setback will be applied from the railway corridor to enable dwellings to be constructed noise or vibration attenuation measures being imposed.

## Copy of Proposed Order

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#### HOUSING LAND SUPPLY (RAVENSWOOD) ORDER 2022

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## HOUSING LAND SUPPLY (RAVENSWOOD) ORDER 2022

I make the following order under section 4 of the *Housing Land Supply Act 2018*.

Dated 20.

Minister for Planning

#### 1. Short title

This order may be cited as the Housing Land Supply (Ravenswood) Order 2022.

#### 2. Commencement

This order takes effect on the day on which its making is notified in the Gazette.

## 3. Interpretation

In this order -

Act means the Housing Land Supply Act 2018;

applicable area means the area of land declared under clause 4 to be housing supply land;

grid reference means the grid reference taken from the Universal Grid Reference System used in Tasmania and based on the Geocentric Datum of Australia (also known as "the GDA" or "GDA94") as defined in the Commonwealth Gazette No. GN 35, 6 September 1995.

#### 4. Declaration of housing supply land

For the purposes of section 4(1) of the Act, the area of land specified in Schedule 1 to this order is declared to be housing supply land.

#### 5. Declaration of intended zone

For the purposes of section 4(2) of the Act, the intended zone in relation to the applicable area is declared to be the General Residential Zone referred to in the applicable planning scheme.

#### SCHEDULE 1 - AREA OF LAND

Clause 4

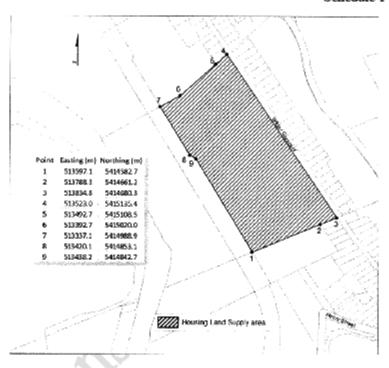
#### The area of land that -

- (a) is situated at 50 Wildor Crescent, Ravenswood in Tasmania; and
- (b) forms part of the land as described in the certificate of title Volume 159118, Folio 1 of the Register kept under section 33 of the Land Titles Act 1980; and
- (c) comprises such area of land that is enclosed in the boundary made by the following imaginary lines:
  - (i) a line between grid reference 513597.1E 5414582.7N and grid reference 513788.3E 5414661.2N;
  - (ii) a line between grid reference 513788.3E 5414661.2N and grid reference 513834.8E 5414680.3N;
  - (iii) a line between grid reference 513834.8E 5414680.3N and grid reference 513523.0E 5415135.4N;
  - (iv) a line between grid reference 513523.0E 5415135.4N and grid reference 513492.7E 5415108.5N;

- (v) a line between grid reference 513492.7E 5415108.5N and grid reference 513392.7E 5415020.0N;
- (vi) a line between grid reference 513392.7E 5415020.0N and grid reference 513337.1E 5414988.9N;
- (vii) a line between grid reference 513337.1E 5414988.9N and grid reference 513420.1E 5414853.1N;
- (viii) a line between grid reference 513420.1E 5414853.1N and grid reference 513438.2E 5414842.7N;
  - (ix) a line between grid reference 513438.2E 5414842.7N and grid reference 513597.1E 5414582.7N; and
- (d) is shown as the shaded area, bounded by heavy black lines, on the plan set out, by way of illustration only, in Schedule 2 to this order.

#### SCHEDULE 2 - PLAN

#### Schedule 1



#### Housing Land Supply (Ravenswood) Order 2022 Statutory Rules 2022, No.

Printed and numbered in accordance with the Rules Publication Act 1953.

Notified in the Gazette on

This order is administered in the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

EXPLANATORY NOTE (This note is not part of the order)

This order, for the purposes of the Housing Land Supply Act 2018 -

> (a) declares a certain area of land situated at Wildor Crescent, Ravenswood in Tasmania to be housing supply land; and

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(b) declares the intended zone in relation to that land to be the General Residential Zone referred to in the applicable planning scheme.



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