

RESPONSE TO PETITION**TITLE OF PETITION: TAXI RANK SHELTER - CASTRAY ESPLANADE**

The Citizens of Tasmania draw attention to the House:

- To the lack of shelter from unfavourable weather at the Castray Esplanade taxi rank.

Your petitioners humbly pray that the House of Assembly:

- Ask the Government to consider allocating funds within the 2010-11 budget for the construction for an all-weather shelter to reduce patrons' exposure to unfavourable weather conditions.

GOVERNMENT POSITION:

The Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources has entered into a funding deed with the Hobart City Council to improve and provide a safe and sheltered taxi rank for tourists and locals in the Salamanca area.

The Hobart City Council has agreed to construct a contemporary, high security, all-weather, taxi rank in Castray Esplanade compatible with the historic character of Salamanca Place. Works are due to commence shortly with the shelter fully operational by December 2010.


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