

Background

By way of background:

- I believe that the decision by the University of Tasmania (UTAS) Council to relocate its southern campus to the Hobart CBD, and redevelop the Sandy Bay campus, is one of the most significant issues in recent Tasmanian history, with major potential consequences for the future development of UTAS, Hobart and - indeed - Tasmania;
- Consequently, this decision and attendant processes involve the public interest to a very high degree; and
- I intend to make all documents received through this application publicly available, to inform consideration of the public interest.

Details of Information Sought

I request the following records in relation to the period 1 January 2015 to 4 May 2022:

- All briefs provided to senior officers (Executives) and the Premier/Ministers of the Departments of Premier and Cabinet, Education and Infrastructure (or such names as these Departments were known in the relevant period) in relation to the proposed move of UTAS into the Hobart CBD and/or redevelopment of the Sandy Bay campus;
- All analysis undertaken by the Departments of Premier and Cabinet, Education and Infrastructure in relation to the proposed move of UTAS into the Hobart CBD and/or redevelopment of the Sandy Bay campus;
- All records relating to the inclusion of UTAS in the Hobart City Deal; and
- All briefs and correspondence relating to the appointment of UTAS Councilors by the Minister for Education under ss 8.(1)(d) and 8.(5) of the *University of Tasmania Act 1992*.