

# Keeping Tasmanians Safe



## A MAJORITY LIBERAL GOVERNMENT WILL:

- Invest \$17 million to build new police stations at Longford and Sorell
- Strengthen evade police and hooning laws
- Roll out body-worn video
- Invest in Police vessel replacements



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### New \$5 million Longford Police Station

A re-elected Hodgman majority Liberal Government will invest \$5 million on a purpose built Longford Police Station that has the capacity, space and security requirements to respond to the community's needs.

The current police station was built in the 1970s and in need of replacement.

The population of Longford and surrounding areas is growing and having a secure, well-equipped and modern station is important for the local community.

In regional areas, police stations are particularly important and help build a positive working relationship between police and the community they serve and the new station will be a contemporary base for policing activities.

### Sorell Emergency Services Hub

As a result of our commitment to increase police numbers by a further 125, we can resource a newly built \$12 million Emergency Services Hub at Sorell.

A re-elected majority Hodgman Liberal Government will increase police numbers at Sorell by three to support strong, around the clock policing patrols.

The South East region and Sorell in particular is one of Tasmania's fastest growing areas in the state.

At present there is no volunteer SES presence in Sorell.

A re-elected Hodgman Liberal Government will build the new complex which will house all emergency personnel in a modern and well-equipped hub.

The Sorell Council has available a very substantial parcel of land in central Sorell.

The hub will be particularly important in helping to build a positive working relationship between emergency personnel and the community they serve.

The addition of the SES in the hub will provide the infrastructure needed to call for volunteers to join the service.

### Relevant Targets

**#32:** The lowest serious crime rate in the nation across all victimisation measures by 2022.

**#33:** The lowest use of crystal methamphetamine (ice) of any state by 2022.

**#34:** Reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries on Tasmania's roads to zero by 2050.

### Why Tasmania Needs This

All Tasmanians deserves to live in safety and free from the impact of crime.

We make no apology for being tough on crime and we are taking important steps to make it clear criminal activity will not be tolerated.

A re-elected Hodgman Liberal Government will continue to take a hard line stance on law and order and we will ensure Tasmania Police officers have the support they require to keep Tasmanians safe.



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### Evade Police and Hooning

We will crackdown on anti-social driving by amending the new “Evade Police” laws to capture vehicles used in late night hooning, drag nights and the use of mini-bikes in urban areas.

\$100,000 per annum will be made available so military-grade UAV video capable devices (drones) with latest technology can be made available to Tasmania Police, along with training for police officers statewide.

### Body Worn Video

Policing is a high-risk occupation and we understand the need to improve the safety of Tasmania Police officers and the wider community.

A re-elected Hodgman majority Liberal Government will complete the implementation project for body worn videos and commence roll out of equipment this year.

### Police Vessels

A re-elected Hodgman majority Liberal Government will continue with plans to replace the PV Dauntless at a cost of \$4.7 million to ensure that Police vessels are replaced at regular intervals and are fit for purpose.

By 2021, we will also plan and allocate funding of around \$6 million for the replacement of the PV Van Diemen.