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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dorset Council expresses its support for TasWater's Price and Service Plan 5 (PSP5), which sets out the organisation's proposed investment, pricing and service outcomes for the 2026–2030 period. PSP5 represents a critical step in ensuring that Tasmania's water and sewerage infrastructure continues to provide safe, reliable and sustainable services for our communities.

Council recognises the key changes proposed under PSP5, including a substantial increase in capital investment—approximately \$1.7 billion over four years—to renew ageing infrastructure, improve water quality, reduce leaks and system failures, and enhance environmental performance. The proposed shift towards more usage-based pricing is also an important reform, promoting fairness, affordability, and water conservation across the state.

TasWater's extensive community consultation has ensured that PSP5 reflects the priorities and values of Tasmanians, balancing service reliability, environmental outcomes and affordability. The engagement process has allowed councils and customers a voice in shaping the future of Tasmania's essential water and sewerage services.

Council acknowledges the importance of appropriate and sustainable funding to deliver these outcomes. Under-investment today risks leaving a poor legacy of declining infrastructure and environmental performance for future generations. PSP5 provides a responsible, forward-looking framework that will help protect Tasmania's water security, public health, and natural environment well into the future.

Dorset Council therefore supports TasWater's PSP5 proposal and its commitment to delivering reliable, sustainable and affordable water and sewerage services for all Tasmanians.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rhys Beattie', with a stylized flourish at the end.

RHYS BEATTIE
Mayor

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