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Local Government Participation in the National Redress Scheme

On 1 July 2019, the Hon Elise Archer MP, Attorney-General and Minister for Justice together with the Hon Peter Gutwein MP, Treasurer and former Minister for Local Government wrote to Mayors regarding the participation of local councils in the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse attaching a draft Memorandum of Understanding.

The Tasmanian Government welcomes the decision of 2 July 2019 at the Local Government Association of Tasmania General meeting by all local councils to join the National Redress Scheme with the Tasmanian Government as a 'State Institution' with support from the Tasmanian Department of Justice administrative arrangements undertaken by the Child Abuse Royal Commission Response Unit.

I now attach a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding to underpin this arrangement signed by the Attorney-General on behalf of the Tasmanian Government on 5 August 2019 for endorsement by your Council. This MOU is an important step in recognising and alleviating the impact of past institutional child sexual abuse.

If you require any additional information about these arrangements or about potential claims, please do not hesitate to contact me at amber.mignot@justice.tas.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amber".

Amber Mignot
Director