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MWCC Lodges Additional Information

Mount Wellington Cable Way Company (MWCC) today lodged its response to the Hobart City's Council's request for additional information.

MWCC Chair Chris Oldfield said today that COVID-19 travel restrictions had delayed completion of the company's response to the HCC's requests for further information.

"We have now finished almost all of the additional work requested by the HCC which we believe substantially strengthens our DA.

"HCC now has everything it needs from us except our bushfire plan developed in consultation with the Tasmanian Fire Service on which we are awaiting their final feedback. We expect that will be lodged separately very soon.

"The cable car will provide a new all-year-round experience, providing a much-needed shot in the arm for the COVID-19 ravaged tourism industry," he said.

Mr Oldfield noted comments by the Lord Mayor and tourism industry in June that new tourism infrastructure was urgently needed on kunanyi/Mount Wellington to meet the growing demand of more than 500,000 visitors a year.

"Our DA and the additional information we have now provided demonstrate clearly that the project will address current traffic congestion, enhance the mountain environment, promote its heritage and vastly improve facilities for visitors.

"It will provide between \$79 million to \$99 million net economic benefit to Tasmania's economy each year, 200 jobs during its construction and 80 new jobs (50 FTE) in engineering, hospitality and the tourism sectors once operational.

He said once Council officers assessed the additional information it would publicly release the entire DA, along with Council's assessment of how it addresses the relevant planning requirements.

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"Once we get planning approval we are in a great position to start work with the aim of having the cable car operating by the second half of 2022.

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