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Community consultation for proposed new home for IMAS

Public feedback is being sought over the proposal for the Princes Wharf Shed 2 (PW2) in Hobart as the site for the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) building.

Community consultation will be held in September to discuss the schematic design for the IMAS building and seek views from the community.

University of Tasmania Vice-Chancellor Professor Daryl Le Grew said the IMAS building will bring together much of Tasmania's considerable strengths in marine and Antarctic science into one scientific precinct.

"The building will offer new opportunities for collaborative research which is of local, national and international significance," Prof. Le Grew said.

The new development will be next door to the CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research Laboratories on Hobart's waterfront, helping create a research hub promoting the importance of Tasmania's marine and Antarctic environment.

The feedback from the community consultations will be used to refine the concepts for the submission as part of the development application to the Sullivan's Cove Waterfront Authority.

The two-hour community consultations will be held twice a day on the following dates:

Wednesday 8 September 2010

12.30pm – 2.30pm

5.30pm – 7.30pm

Thursday 9 September 2010

12.30pm – 2.30pm

5.30pm – 7.30pm

Friday 10 September 2010

10.00am – 12 noon

5.30pm – 7.30pm

All community consultations will be held in the Alan Bray Room, University Club, at the University of Tasmania in Dobson Road, Sandy Bay

To register to attend one of the community consultations, email Tania Parkes at taniaparkes@taniaparkes.com.au or telephone 1800 172 173 with name, organisation (if any) and contact address/ email/ telephone by Friday 3 September 2010.

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