

Western Region Strategic Partnership (WRSP)

What is WRSP?

The Western Region Strategic Partnership (WRSP) brings together **local government, industry, and the Tasmanian Government** to work on shared priorities for the West Coast region.

It was created to:

- **Coordinate efforts across organisations**
 - **Address key regional challenges**
 - **Support long-term growth and sustainability**
 - **Make sure local communities benefit from major projects and investment**
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What are the priorities?

1. **Housing & Accommodation**
Making it easier for workers and families to live in the region.
 2. **Essential Services**
Improving access to childcare, health, telecommunications, and emergency services.
 3. **Community Amenity**
Enhancing local towns through better public spaces, recreation, and liveability.
 4. **Economic Diversification**
Supporting new industries and opportunities beyond traditional sectors.
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What has been achieved so far?

Housing and Workforce Accommodation

- Progress on **modular housing solutions** across Planning, approval timing and requirements, to respond faster to demand.
- **New State Government housing provides 10 homes for Key Workers in Queenstown, to be managed by TasHealth ready to start building in August 2026.**
- **Hydro Tasmania worker housing project** progressed in Tullah with completion planned for September 2026, is a mix of permanent worker and camp style accommodation.
- Better coordination of housing demand across employers and projects.

✓ Essential Services for the Community

- **New childcare options** include a Family Day Care service in Rosebery starting with 7 children.
 - Trial of **Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC)** program to be co-located at Rosebery Primary School ready to start Term 4, 2026.
 - Zeehan Primary School will be a trial site for the Early Learning for Three Year Olds program including building improvements to meet regulations.
 - Planning for a **new emergency services hub in Rosebery** – an Emergency Services Hub, co locating Police, Fire and State Emergency Services personnel into one modern, purpose-built location, to replace outdated facilities and improve local response times.
 - Ongoing work to improve **telecommunications across the region.**
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✓ Community Amenity & Liveability

- Launch of a **Community Benefit Fund process** to invest in local priorities as identified in the West Coast Community Plan 2035.
 - Community workshops underway to form the structure, governance and implementation plan.
 - Early planning includes improvements to public spaces and town centres with a view to prioritise key amenity projects across the region.
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✓ Growing the Local Economy

- Support for **events like trail running initiatives** to boost tourism
 - **Community Benefits Scheme** to support, new and innovative ideas to continue to diversify and grow the local economy.
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There is more to do, so stay tuned:

- Deliver more **housing and infrastructure**
- Improve **services that keep families in the region**
- Move priority **community projects into delivery**
- Build a **stronger, more diverse local economy**