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## University appoints masterplanners for Sandy Bay

The University of Tasmania has appointed leading Australian architecture and design firm Clarke Hopkins Clarke to lead the masterplanning process for the future of the current Sandy Bay campus.

Following the release of the urban design framework and masterplan for the University's future city campus, work now begins on a long-term strategic plan for the sustainable development of the Sandy Bay site.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Rufus Black said the University would maintain ownership and steward the development of the much-loved site in ways that support the community, the environment, and the local economy.

"The urban renewal project aims to create a sustainable community with a mixture of housing, including attainable housing, education, aged care, commercial and retail spaces, and associated infrastructure. It will also remain the home to the University sporting fields and facilities," he said.

Dean Landy, partner at Clarke Hopkins Clarke, will lead a multi-disciplinary team of architects, urban planners and specialised consultants to create a plan for the site. The creation of the plan will include extensive consultation with the community throughout the remainder of 2021.

Throughout the process, the masterplanners will work with UTAS Properties Pty Ltd (UPPL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the University, which it has created to manage the transformation of its Sandy Bay and Newnham campuses. This enables the University to focus on its core business of learning, teaching and research with impact for and from Tasmania.

The community is invited to have their say and register for upcoming information sessions via the online engagement platform, <u>https://www.reimaginesandybay.com.au/</u>

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