Northern carpark development plans for Inveresk

The University of Tasmania is planning to develop a car park at the northern end of the Inveresk Precinct to enable its University transformation and improve the space for greater use by the public. The University will maintain and or develop other car parks across the precinct too to ensure convenience for visitors to the precinct.

Subject to Council’s planning and building development processes, construction would occur between November 2020 and mid-2021. This will be after this year’s Launceston Show in October (should it proceed in the current COVID-19 environment).

The new car park will have substantial landscaping and provides linkages to current cycle and pedestrian pathways. The region has been assessed for heritage values and the existing railway turntable will be retained.

Part of the Inveresk Precinct Parking Plan which has been approved by the City of Launceston, the car park will have the capacity to support major events and will be linked by the Tiger Bus service. It also encourages active travel options for commuters to and from the city.

Attached is some information about the project including:

- FAQs
- Draft designs for the Northern car park (Image 1)
- Inveresk Precinct Parking Plan (Image 2)
- Current and proposed street view images from Forster St (Image 3)

Questions? Comments? Want to find out more?

The Northern Transformation project team are available to answer any questions from the local community, staff and students about the project. You can chat with us about the plans, timelines or how you may be impacted.

Join a community discussion online via Zoom:

1. Visit https://zoom.us/download or use the Zoom Mobile App
2. In Zoom, click on ‘Join Meeting’ and enter the Zoom ID at any of the times below

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Or contact us to arrange an individual discussion at a time which suits you:

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FAQs

Q: What about the impact on local traffic?
A: An independent Traffic Impact Assessment has been conducted which will be accessible through Council’s planning process in the coming weeks. This details the likely impacts on traffic management, all road users, public transport, pedestrians, cyclists and heavy vehicles.

Q: How will the new car park be managed?
A: Out of the 852 spaces being provided, 484 will be for University usage (accessible via boom gate) and the remaining will be open to the public (managed by City of Launceston).

City of Launceston will be responsible for maintenance of the car park.

Q: How long will the work take and how will I be affected nearby?
A: Construction will take 6-8mths. Contractors appointed to conduct the work will not undertake any noisy work outside reasonable hours, given this is a residential area. Works notices will be developed to keep locals informed and updates will be available via the Northern Transformation website: www.utas.edu.au/transformation

Q: What is the cost of the project?
A: The Northern car park will cost the University around $6.3m including $1.3m for the Show Society to end their lease and $5m for the development work.

Q: What’s happening to the Royal Launceston Show, Esk Market and other users of this site?
A: This site has been acknowledged as being too small and creates challenges for Show Society, who are keen to explore new locations for these important community events in future.

Q: How are flooding and site contamination being considered?
A: The University has done extensive planning and risk management to address the challenges of building in a flood risk area. For further details including a link to the independent Invermay Planning Report (Flooding) visit: https://www.utas.edu.au/northern-transformation/inveresk-campus/faqs

In relation to contamination, a Geotechnical Assessment has been completed which will also be accessible throughout Council’s planning process in the coming weeks.

Q: Will this be enough parking to meet the needs of the public, in addition to University staff and students?
A: The Precinct Parking Plan provides a total of over 1100 parking spaces, to meet demand for a range of users and activities around the area. As the University’s student and staff numbers grow towards the goal of 10,000 students, a further 272 spaces will be provided by the University between 2027 and 2032.

Q: What’s are the next steps Northern Transformation project?
A: Construction has commenced for the Library and Student Experience building and the pedestrian and cycle bridge. Development applications will be submitted for the next two buildings mid-year.
Inveresk Precinct Parking Plan

- Provides parking for a range of activities and users including students, staff and public
- A total of over 1100 spaces will support projected demand and growth until 2027
- Modelling indicates a further 272 spaces will need to be provided between 2027 and 2032
- Supports parking for major events
- Provides multiple entry points to the precinct
- Provides city access with new Tiger Bus loops through new Northern car park and Willis St car park

**NORTHERN CAR PARK**
- Spaces: 851
- Use: Public (including major events) and UTAS
- Proposed completion: 2021

**STUDENT CAR PARK**
- Spaces: 30
- Use: UTAS new accommodation
- Proposed completion: 2023

**HALF CIRCLE CAR PARK**
- Spaces: 159
- Use: Public
- Proposed completion: Existing, to be redesigned

**BECKS MITRE 10**
- Spaces: 20
- Use: UTAS
- Proposed availability: 2024

**NEW WILLIS ST BUILDING**
- Spaces: 70
- Use: UTAS
- Proposed completion: 2024
Image 3: Current and proposed street view images from Forster St

Current street view from South Street to Forster Street.

Proposed street view from South Street to Forster Street.