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Dear Mr Goninon,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Department of State Growth's concept designs for two park and ride facilities in the Kingborough municipality.

We firstly wish to provide our support for the park and ride projects. A key action in our Greater Hobart Mobility Vision was a Kingston park and ride facility, while more recently we have been calling for the Huntingfield site to be fast tracked.

While we largely support both designs, we believe there are some areas for improvement:

- RACT is concerned about pedestrian safety at the Firthside facility. RACT believes that either a dedicated pedestrian overpass or improved pedestrian crossing solutions at each end of the Groningen Road overpass are needed.
- RACT is also concerned about the low frequency of the proposed bus services as part of these new park and ride sites. The department must ensure that commuter demand for the services is met, with increased frequency a key component of increasing uptake.
 - While RACT understands there will be Huntingfield, Huon Highway, Channel Highway and Blackmans Bay services, it would also like clarity as to which route will service the Firthside park and ride.
- Additionally, in order to incentivise uptake, RACT believes parking at both sites must be free/low cost and the bus services must be affordable.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to provide feedback to these projects. We look forward to the commencement of works in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Stacey Pennicott
Chief Member Experience Officer