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Sullivans Cove Waterfront Authority Formed

Statement by the Premier, Paul Lennon

Premier Paul Lennon today announced the official formation of the new body to oversee development around Hobart's renowned waterfront area.

Mr Lennon said the Sullivans Cove Waterfront Authority would officially come into being on Monday, April 4, following today's Gazettal Notice, with an announcement on the board's make-up to follow next week.

"The Sullivans Cove Waterfront Authority will be the guardian for the waterfront area and a trustee for future generations," Mr Lennon said.

"We have resisted pressure to rush the formation of this important new Authority because the waterfront is too important and we have to get it right."

Mr Lennon said the role of the board would be to protect and enhance all that is uniquely Tasmanian about the waterfront – a world-class blend of maritime heritage, working port, business hub and cultural heart.

"This is about listening to what the people want on their waterfront," the Premier said.

"That includes the protection of heritage values, more public open space, better amenities and family-friendly facilities and world-class design.

"Of course, members of the public will continue to have the opportunity to appeal through the proven Resource Management and Planning system."

Mr Lennon said the State Government was delighted to have received interest from eminent people across Australia to serve on the Sullivans Cove Waterfront Authority Board.

"I look forward to announcing the make-up of the Board and taking a significant step towards delivering sensible, community-friendly development on the Hobart waterfront."