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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Delivering on Ulverstone Cultural Precinct commitment

Liberal Senator for Tasmania Richard Colbeck and Braddon Liberal Candidate Gavin Pearce have welcomed the launch of the Ulverstone Cultural Precinct Project, which was a commitment made during the Braddon by-election.

The project will construct a Museum and Art Gallery complex that will co-locate the Visitor Information Centre and History Museum and incorporate a retail space, café, Science Centre and Planetarium.

**Senator Colbeck:** “The Ulverstone Cultural Precinct will be a centrepiece of cultural life and science education for people on the North West Coast.

“The Liberals in Government committed to the Cultural Precinct during the Braddon by-election and today marks the launch of this ambitious project.

“This \$7.5 million project includes \$2.5 million in funding from both the Australian and State Liberal Governments and demonstrates what can be achieved when all levels of Government work together.

“By delivering a strong economy and a Budget surplus the Liberals in Government have been able to deliver on the education and cultural infrastructure that Tasmanians deserve.”

**Mr Pearce:** “Having worked in the technology space in the armed services, I understand the importance of encouraging our next generation to take up an interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

“By delivering the Ulverstone Cultural Precinct commitment we hope to inspire children and school-leavers to pursue higher education, particularly in STEM, which we know is going to be critical to the jobs of the future.

“Australia is soon to be home to a significant space industry and the proposed planetarium may spark the imagination of the next Rose Tasker, who is working to become Tasmania’s first astronaut.

“The Ulverstone Cultural Precinct will be more than just a building; it will be a place to open the eyes of our young people to the possibilities in the world of science, technology and higher learning.”

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