

We love Launceston, and we trust that the people who choose to live in our wonderful city do too. Local heritage listing is a way that we can all work to retain the unique look and feel of the place we call home.



If your property has been selected for listing, our heritage team has identified key features for protection - features that contribute to the significance of the property or area such as its architectural style, its visual contribution to the wider streetscape, its history, or its association with a particular person or group.

'We are custodians of our past and present environment. Recognising and protecting Launceston's heritage is part of respecting and caring for the places and values of importance to our community.'



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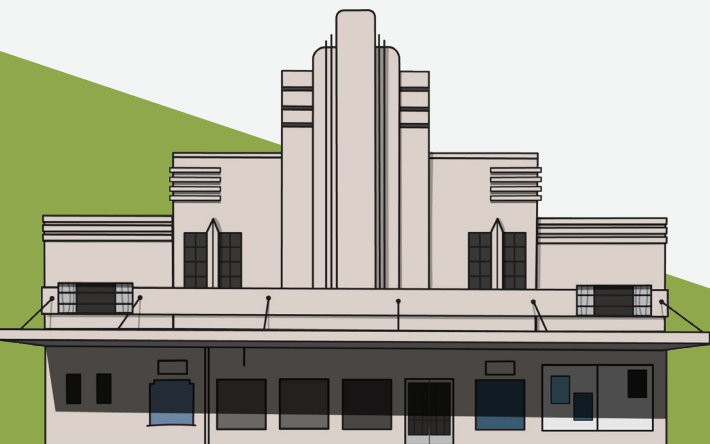
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LAUNCESTON LOCAL HERITAGE ESSENTIAL GUIDE



HERITAGE

Our heritage is part of who we are. It is what we inherit, appreciate today, and think is important to protect and pass onto future generations.



Heritage does not have to be old, it is anything that we value and identify as worth protecting for appreciation now and into the future.

Heritage does not have to be completely intact or in good condition to be of significance. Significance lies in a place or object's ability to demonstrate a particular heritage criteria, character, or theme that is considered important.

In Tasmania, we have multiple levels of heritage including: World, National, Commonwealth, State, and local heritage. The heritage protection system exists to conserve, manage, promote and celebrate our heritage.

The City of Launceston maintains a register of significant historic heritage places at a local level; as these places have particular local significance for our city.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is local heritage?

Local heritage is an item, whether that be a building, precinct, landscape, tree or historical archaeological site, which has significance to a local government area and its community.

Local heritage is managed by local councils and protected under the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993 (LUPAA)* and the *Tasmanian Planning Scheme*. Under Schedule 1 Part 2a of LUPAA, it is Council's duty to *'conserve those buildings, areas or other places which are of scientific, aesthetic, architectural or historic interest, or otherwise of special cultural value.'*

What is a local heritage precinct?

A local heritage precinct is defined as a group of individual items or residences, and their settings (or streetscapes), which are significant as a collective.

Why do we list local heritage?

Heritage listing plays an important role in ensuring we retain our city's character and community's sense of place. The heritage protection system exists to conserve, manage, promote and celebrate our heritage.



What are my obligations as an owner of a local heritage item?

Obligations as an owner of a local heritage item are no greater than an owner of any other property, including normal maintenance and care. The main difference may occur when a property owner proposes to make changes to the local heritage item.

My property is locally heritage listed. When do I need a Development Application (DA)?

Inclusion of a property on the Launceston local heritage list does not prevent it from proposed development. Managing and conserving heritage items ensures that they retain their cultural heritage significance, and that development and work is compatible with the heritage values of the place.

Development Applications (DA) are required for all major works, regardless of heritage listing. DAs are dealt with as part of the City of Launceston's planning process visit www.launceston.tas.gov.au for more information.

Maintenance works (including gardening) are usually exempt from the DA process. The full list of exemptions can be found under Section C6.4 of the *Tasmanian Planning Scheme - State Planning Provisions (Local Historic Heritage Code)*, visit www.planning.tas.gov.au for more information.

**Have more questions?
Contact the heritage team.**

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