



Media Release

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***Mercury* online survey reveals support for Copping C-cell**

An online survey conducted by the *Mercury* newspaper has revealed significant community support for the Category C waste disposal cell proposed for the existing landfill facility at Copping.

When survey participants were asked if they supported the construction of a C-cell in Tasmania given we are the only state without one, 70 per cent of respondents voted 'yes'.

Further, when asked simply if they supported the construction of a C-cell in Tasmania, the majority of respondents (54 per cent) still said 'yes'.

The results were revealed at the conclusion of a live forum with Southern Waste Solutions CEO Christine Bell, who was online to answer questions from the community about the project.

Ms Bell said the forum was a great way to talk to the community directly and provide immediate answers to their questions and concerns.

"Among the issues raised there was plenty of support and positive feedback about the proposal," Ms Bell said.

"The survey results are particularly positive, as they show the progress we have made in allaying some of the initial community concerns during our extended community engagement period.

"Tasmania is currently the only state in Australia without such a facility and if we are serious about our 'clean, green' image and environmental credentials, we all need to take responsibility for the waste we produce.

"It is vital for all Tasmanians that we have the proper infrastructure to protect public health and our environment at world's best practice level as well as support industry, businesses and jobs.

"This is not just a matter of what Tasmania stands to lose if we don't have such a facility, but it's equally about what we stand to gain by having a world class engineered controlled waste cell."

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