

31 July 2020

Dear Legal Practitioners

RE: Hobart Reception Prison Gatehouse

On the 10th – 12th August inclusive, the new Hobart Reception Prison Gatehouse will be commissioned. The commissioning and associated training of HRP staff may require periods of lock-down. Whilst your admission to the facility will be our number one priority, we suggest that you allow extra time to visit with your clients on these days.

Given that there will be a number of contractors from other States in the Gatehouse on these days, it is essential that you wear a face-mask and adhere to social distancing whilst in the area. Face-masks will be provided, and can be removed once you have passed through the Visits door. Face masks must be worn again when exiting through the Gatehouse.

From 13th August your next visit will involve your registration on the Bio-Scan equipment by TPS staff. Please ensure extra time for this to occur, and please also ensure that you have your **valid Photo ID**.

Once you have been registered, we hope that you find entry and exit through the Gatehouse will be a smooth and efficient process.

If you have any questions please contact me on 03 6165 7622

Yours sincerely



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Acting Chief Superintendent Hobart & Launceston Reception Prisons