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CCA calls on the Australian and Tasmanian Governments to reconsider how they can support Councils and Council employees

The Cradle Coast Authority (CCA) calls on the Australian and Tasmanian Governments to reconsider how they can support Councils and Council employees. Thus far, Councils and their staff are ineligible for most of the assistance available.

Council staff go above and beyond to make their communities an even better place. Strong local government plays a particularly important role in regional areas, adding a local perspective to decisions made in Hobart and Canberra and making sure that regional areas get a fair go. Our region will need strong local government and talented local government professionals more than ever as our region tries to recover from the current COVID-19 crisis.

CCA acknowledges the difficulties faced by Member Councils, their staff and our own staff at this time.

“Like us, our friends at Burnie City Council in particular, have had to make tough decisions to protect the health of workers and the community, and we commend them on the approach they have taken to looking after their employees” said CCA CEO Daryl Connelly. “We urge the State and Federal Government to continue working through these issues with Member Councils”.

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