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Auditor-General calls for improvements in facilitating private investment

The Tasmanian Auditor-General, Mr Martin Thompson, said ‘a whole-of-government strategy is needed to guide decisions to commit public resources to support investment projects’. A strategy will also help the various parties know their roles in facilitating investment. This will result in more effective and efficient use of resources.

In his conclusion, Mr Thompson noted that ‘the lack of a strategy meant objectives for facilitating investment in Tasmania are not well defined’. This means that measures for monitoring progress towards objectives to Parliament and Tasmanians are also insufficient.

‘We also found the structure and clarity of advice to decision-makers can improve’, Mr Thompson said.

In addition, Mr Thompson found that the Office of the Coordinator-General only reports one performance measure linked to the Office’s funding. He stated, ‘without a range of measures to show what has been achieved, the performance of the Office of the Coordinator-General is not transparent or easily understood’.

Mr Thompson made 4 recommendations to the Department of State Growth and the Office of the Coordinator-General, which is a division of the Department of State Growth.

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