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## **PURPOSE-BUILT GAP TASMANIA CENTRE PLANNED FOR 2016/17**

The Tasracing Board has approved the construction of a purpose-built greyhound adoption centre in 2016/17.

The plan for the new centre, from which the Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP) Tasmania will operate, is a key feature of a recently-released GAP strategy.

Tasracing CEO Dr Eliot Forbes said consultation on the strategy commenced with industry stakeholders in November last year.

“In March this year, Tasracing provided the Greyhound Reference Group with a GAP paper that included industry feedback and addressed the future direction of GAP in the state,” he said.

“We are now set to release the final GAP strategy to the industry and the broader Tasmanian community.”

Dr Forbes said the centre would include appropriate administration and caretaker facilities, and a meet and greet area for prospective foster carers and adopters.

“Details of the location of the centre will be announced as soon as they are finalised,” he said.

Tasracing doubled GAP Tasmania funding to more than \$200,000 in 2015/16.

Adoptions increased by 35 per cent in the same financial year.

In addition to building the centre, Tasracing will increase the GAP marketing budget in 2015/16 to stimulate demand for post-racing career greyhounds and retain and grow the number of foster carers.

The full document is available at:

<https://tasracingcorporate.com.au/gaptas-strategy/>

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