

## **Mapping the Future: A Statement from the ACF Board**

On 9 August the Board of the ACF issued a statement on “Mapping the Future” It outlined five areas where work was being undertaken to lay the foundation for the next five years;

- the Masterplan;
- leasing and tenancy;
- stakeholder input ;
- funding for new development; and
- governance and administration.

Working parties comprised of Board members, staff and tenants have been formed and are meeting to consider leasing policy, precinct rules, Board representation and communication. It is anticipated that the work of these working parties will be completed by the end of the year at which time an ongoing tenant/Board liaison committee will come into effect.

Draft policies and other documents prepared both by tenants as well as ACF staff and Board members are already being discussed. The Chief Operating Officer has been appointed and will assist in this process.

In light of this progress the ACF will accelerate other elements of a transition strategy to create a vision and Master Plan for the next five years and to ensure the long-term viability of the precinct.

Together with tenants and other stakeholders the Board will develop a governance model that will ensure maximum transparency, renewal and the harnessing of the skills and experience to govern the precinct in this new phase of the Convent’s development.

The Board will continue to keep stakeholders and the wider community informed through the Convent website.

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