This WIKI is in development (stage 2).

Project stage 2 Important Documents

- Symposium minutes (public) / Workshop minutes (public)
- Site Structure

This is the project site for the Tasmanian Constitutional Review project based at the University of Tasmania (UTAS), supported by:

- Law Foundation of Tasmania
- UTAS Faculty of Law
- Australian Association of Constitutional Law

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**About this site**

This site is intended to be a central repository of information on the Tasmanian Constitution. It will be expanded to include research, feedback, advice and analysis from each stage of the project.

This wiki is in draft. Contributions or comments are very welcome. Please use the comments box at the bottom of every page to make recommendations, or email Brendan.Gogarty@utas.edu.au

The site is currently broken down into 'stubs' - short articles in need of expansion. (see the wiki explanation of 'stubs' here)

Stubs are generally broken down into "introduction" to the topic, current arrangements (in Tasmania), issues, questions and references. Where the topic of a stub becomes too wide, it will be broken down into a sub-category stub and listed under the top level stub in the category hierarchy.

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**Project Timeline**

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| **STAGE 2** | 20 Apr 2016 - 31 Oct 2016 | Draft public wiki
Brendan Gogarty, Anja Hilkemeijer, William Bartlett, Daniel Westbury, Joseph Wenta invited experts/practitioners |
Background

Members of the Tasmanian AACL have voiced a range of concerns about the status, operation and legal effect of the Tasmanian Constitution (see What is a good constitution?). These include:

- The questionable status of the Constitution as a fundamental source of law (see The Current Constitution)
- The lack of articulated power to govern in Tasmania, a lack of entrenchment for fundamental provisions (see The Current Constitution)
- The appropriateness and legality of several express provisions in light of federal jurisprudence (see i.e. Scrutiny and independence)
- The practical and operative effect of inherited provisions (see i.e. The Crown of Tasmania);
- A lack of certainty about the establishment, exercise and limitation of governmental power (see The Current Constitution);
- A lack of specificity about the institutions of modern government; and larger questions about the scope, purpose and contemporary relevance of the Constitution to modern Tasmanian society.

Consequently the AACL has partnered with the Law Foundation of Tasmania, UTAS Faculty of Law, and Tasmanian Law Reform Institute to undertake a year-long Tasmanian constitutional law reform project.

In order to form a reasoned evidence base for this project we hope to gather a range of experts, scholars, professionals and stakeholders to address and discuss the range of issues that arise from the current Tasmanian constitutional framework in a preliminary symposium. This symposium will frame the issues which will underpin the project over the next year.