

Towering cranes

IF you are not sure how tall a proposed 75-metre building within the Hobart CBD would be, the abstract becomes very tangible when you walk on Sandy Bay beach, Bellerive beach or on the Domain and look towards the city. The two cranes working on the Royal Hobart Hospital site in Campbell St are a very useful reality check, particularly when it comes to visualising just how tall the proposed Fragrance hotel might actually be. When the cranes are fully extended, it doesn't take much imagination to see just how intrusive any building would be on the Hobart cityscape. Is this a planning decision about tall, taller or tallest? Or really about dumb, dumber and dumbest?

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