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Waratah-Wynyard Mayor Robby Walsh has invited public feedback on revised plans for a \$1.5 million upgrade of the Somerset CBD.

The Somerset Village Development Plan was first adopted by Council in June last year.

“Following feedback from businesses earlier this year Council has revisited the initial proposal, which will hopefully achieve more support,” Mayor Walsh said.

“Once we hear from businesses and the general community on this proposal, we will be able to go ahead with works early in the first half of the New Year.”

Stage 1 of the project will be funded with \$427,000 from the Federal Government in the form of Road to Recovery funding and \$250,000 from the State Government.

The total project spend will be split over Civic Square \$950,000, Elizabeth Street parking \$50,000 and Wragg Street works \$500,000.

“The new design features an entry statement in the form of blue tiling and a mirrored stainless steel canopy,” Mayor Walsh said.

“In addition to this a number of other features such as chicanes, a change of colour to the street and footpaths, additional tree plantings, the establishment of outdoor dining areas, gabion seating and entry markers will help attract people to visit Somerset.”

A copy of the plans is available at Council or online at www.warwyn.tas.gov.au/yoursay. Comments can be made via email to council@warwyn.tas.gov.au, at Council, on Council's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WaratahWynyard or in writing to the General Manager PO Box 168, Wynyard, Tasmania, 7325 or PO Box 348, Smithton, Tasmania, 7330. For more information please contact Waratah-Wynyard Council on 6443 8333. Comments close at 5pm on Friday 22 January 2016.

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