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Recycling buildings: local government realities [abstract]

In a city with a wealth of old building stock such as Launceston, local government must deal with many applications to develop and use listed buildings.

Article 20 of the Burra Charter specifies that adaptation is acceptable where the conservation of the place cannot otherwise be achieved. In practical terms of the Launceston Council, this is the most applicable approach, and the paper looks at the implications of this on the city’s buildings.

With the high percentage of applications to adapt listed buildings, Launceston has evolved mechanisms to advise in the process.

The paper illustrates some examples of adaptations - good and bad - and the mechanisms used to encourage responsible use of our older building stock.