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Talking points:

- Campus modernisation is a key driver in the aspirations of the CIT Strategic Compass 2020 and will ensure that CIT is able to meet the evolving needs and expectations of modern learners, including the development of contemporary teaching and learning facilities and practices that reflect the digitalisation of teaching, learning and work environments.
- Campus modernisation is a priority for CIT, with the main CIT campuses characterised by standards from the 1960s and 1970s when the majority of education was delivered in formal classrooms.
- Furthermore CIT is maintaining ageing facilities and infrastructure of a scale and function that is no longer appropriate to its needs or that of its students or employers.
- Campus modernisation will ensure CIT is able to meet the evolving needs of students, employers, and business and industry.
- Community consultation will occur prior to any redevelopment or disposal of surplus properties as community interest is anticipated.
- At this stage no decisions have been made.

Background Information – may not be suitable for public disclosure

- Campus Modernisation is CIT's approach to creating modern learning spaces and facilities to meet the needs of contemporary learners and the community. When implemented the Strategy will result in:
 - ensuring that changing delivery styles, technological advances and industry/community integration concepts are maximised;
 - modern learning spaces and facilities specifically designed to meet the needs of contemporary learners and the broader community;
 - \circ $\$ creating centres of excellence and investing in digital infrastructure;
 - improved financial sustainability for CIT through reducing recurrent operational and maintenance costs; and
 - \circ ~ financial return to the ACT Government from the sale of surplus properties.
- The current spread of course delivery across many campuses is impacting on CIT's operational and financial efficiency and its ability to attract and retain students.

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- Campus modernisation seeks to address this by consolidating activities, reducing the built • footprint and expanding campus opportunities which should improve operational efficiency and financial sustainability by reducing recurrent operational and maintenance costs.
- The ACT Goverment has appointed a CIT Campus Modernisation Sub-committee to • commence planning and provide technical advice.
- Membership of the subcommittee include the Under Treasurer, a delegate of the • Director-General, Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD), the CIT Board Chair and CIT CEO. The sub-committee reports to the CIT Board.
- To assist in refining the Campus Moderisation Strategy CIT has engaged: •
 - , a space management consultant, to inform the likely space and technology 0 requirements for future education delivery;
 - to assist with the financial implications for the Strategy; and 0 to provide valuations of surplus land. 0