



Legislative Council Government Administration Committee 'B'

Media Advisory

Tuesday, 8 August 2023

Public Hearing:

Inquiry into Tasmanian Adult Imprisonment and Youth Detention Matters

Government Administration Committee B is undertaking a targeted inquiry into Tasmanian Adult Imprisonment and Youth Detention Matters with the following Terms of Reference:

To inquire into and report upon Tasmanian corrective services and justice system matters related to adult imprisonment and youth detention including:

- 1. Factors influencing increases in Tasmania's prisoner population and associated costs;*
- 2. The use of evidence-based strategies to reduce contact with the justice system and recidivism;*
- 3. The provision of, and participation in, services for people in prison and leaving prison (health housing and legal services);*
- 4. Training and support initiatives for corrective service staff related to increasing individual well-being, professionalism, resilience and reduced absenteeism;*
- 5. Innovations and improvements to the management and delivery of corrective services that may be applied in Tasmania, including to future prison/detention centre design; and*
- 6. Any other incidental matters.*

The Committee will conduct a public hearing to obtain further details from submissions to the Inquiry. The hearing will be held in Committee Room 2, Parliament House, Hobart and will commence at 09:00 am on Thursday, 10 August 2023. The timetable and details of witnesses are attached.

The public hearings will also be broadcast via the Parliamentary Broadcast Service and will be available at the following link <http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/>.

Members of the Committee are:

Hon Rosemary Armitage MLC (Deputy Chair)	Hon Rob Valentine MLC
Hon Jane Howlett MLC	Hon Meg Webb MLC
Hon Tania Rattray MLC (Chair)	Hon Josh Willie MLC

Further information about the Committee is available on the [Committee website](#).

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Public Hearing Schedule

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Date: Thursday, 10 August 2023

Venue: Committee Room 2 – Parliament House, Hobart

Time	Witnesses
09:00 am – 09:45 am	Richard Connock (Custodial Inspector) (Office of the Custodial Inspector – Submission #10)
09:45 am – 10:30 am	Greg Barns SC (Chair) Anne Cleal (Executive Officer) (Prisoners Legal Service Tasmania – Submission #17) Rowena MacDonald (Tasmanian President) (Australian Lawyers Alliance – Submission #65)
10:45 am – 11:30 am	Dr Mindy Sotiri (Executive Director) Patrick Burton (Campaign Coordinator) Robert Tickner AO (Chair) (Justice Reform Initiative – Submission #44)
11:30 am – 12:15 pm	Adrienne Picone (Chief Executive Officer) Meg Tait (Policy Officer) (TasCOSS – Submission #58)
01:15 pm – 02:00 pm	Leanne McLean (Commissioner for Children and Young People) Isabelle Crompton (Director) (Office of the Commissioner for Children and Young People – Submission #43)
02:00 pm – 02:45 pm	Brett Smith APM (Submission #41)