



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Select Committee

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Inquiry into AFL in Tasmania

On 20 November 2018, the Legislative Council resolved to conduct an inquiry to inquire into and report upon AFL in Tasmania.

The Inquiry is currently underway. However, the Committee has received requests for extensions for submissions. It has therefore agreed to re-advertise the inquiry and extend the period for receiving submissions until the close of business on **Thursday 25th July 2019**.

The Chair of the Committee the Hon Ivan Dean commented, "The submission timeline extension to this important Inquiry is to ensure that everyone has adequate time to forward their thoughts about the future of AFL in Tasmania taking note of the Terms of Reference."

The Inquiry Terms of Reference are:

- (1) The likely benefits to the broader Tasmanian economy and community from having a Tasmanian team in the AFL;
- (2) Whether or not the Tasmanian Taxpayer, or the AFL, should subsidise Melbourne based AFL Clubs playing in Tasmania;
- (3) The on-going support required to sustain a Tasmanian AFL team;
- (4) The possible solutions to the AFL's perception of Tasmania being geographically and politically divided;
- (5) The impact on the future participation rates in AFL in Tasmania of not having a Tasmanian team in the AFL;
- (6) If Tasmania were to establish an AFL team, when would it be the optimal time for it to commence; and
- (7) Any other matter incidental thereto.

Members of the Committee are:

Hon Robert Armstrong MLC
Hon Ivan Dean MLC (Inquiry Chair)
Hon Kerry Finch MLC (Inquiry Deputy Chair)
Hon Mike Gaffney MLC
Hon Jane Howlett MLC
Hon Jo Siejka MLC

The inquiry webpage is located at:

<http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/ctee/Council/LC%20Select%20AFL%20Tasmania.html>

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