

Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts

Media Advisory

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Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's process into the feasibility planning for a new sporting and event stadium in Hobart

The Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts (Committee) is undertaking a targeted inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's process into the feasibility planning for a new sporting and event stadium in Hobart.

The Committee will consider amongst other factors the process used to select the Macquarie Point site, the costs (initial and future) of building, maintaining and operating the same, and the assumptions that underpin the feasibility and sustainability of the proposed Hobart stadium.

The Inquiry Terms of Reference are attached.

The Members of the Committee are:

Legislative Council Hon Ruth Forrest MLC (Chair) Hon Meg Webb MLC Hon Josh Willie MLC House of Assembly Ms Lara Alexander MP Dr Shane Broad MP Mr Dean Young MP

Information regarding the inquiry will be posted on the <u>Committee webpage</u> in due course.

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Inquiry Terms of Reference

Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's process into the feasibility planning for a new sporting and event stadium in Hobart

To inquire into and report upon the Tasmanian Government's process into the feasibility planning for a new sporting and event stadium in Hobart with a particular emphasis on:

- 1. the process used to select Macquarie Point as the site for a proposed new stadium;
- 2. how a new roofed stadium became a condition of a Tasmanian licence to enter the Australian Football League (AFL);
- 3. the figures and assumptions contained within any State Government commissioned reports and economic impact assessments of the proposed Macquarie Point stadium, including any subsidies required and assessments of ongoing operating costs;
- 4. the Tasmanian Government's expectation regarding financial contributions from the Australian Government, AFL and third parties;
- 5. the level of borrowing and costs on the assumed \$375 million Tasmanian Government contribution to the construction of the proposed new stadium;
- 6. the future of Blundstone Arena and UTAS Stadium, including State Government ownership and future capital and operational expenditure;
- 7. the role of the Major Stadiums business unit within State Growth and the newly established statutory authority Stadiums Tasmania in relation to the proposed new stadium; and
- 8. any other matter incidental thereto.