

Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts

Media Advisory

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Annual Report 2024-25

The Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts (Committee) tabled its Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2025.

Despite the Committee's planned work being deferred by the prorogation of Parliament on 11 June 2025, the Committee tabled 7 reports and held 35 meetings over the reporting period which included 25 public hearings over 15 days. Reports tabled over the period included inquiries into:

- Tasmanian Government's use of provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2016* to fund election commitments in 2021
- Follow-up of Auditor-General Report No.4 of 2019-20 Rostering of Specialists in Tasmania's Major Hospitals
- Follow-up of Auditor-General Report No.2 of 2015-16 Capital Works Programming and Management
- University of Tasmania Financial Position, and
- Tasmanian Government's Proposed Hobart Arts Entertainment and Sports Precinct Planning Process -Final Report.

The Statement of Understanding: Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts and Auditor-General of Tasmania was also renewed over the period.

The Committee was still progressing another 6 inquiries at the end of the period (and will continue to do so having just been re-established for the 52^{nd} Parliament):

- TT-Line Spirits Project
- Establishment of a Parliamentary Budget Office
- Follow-up of Auditor-General Report No.3 of 2020-21 Expressions of interest for tourism opportunities
- Follow-up of Auditor-General Report No.4 of 2020-21 Information and communications technology strategy, critical systems and investment
- Follow-up of Auditor-General Report No.1 of 2022-23 Improving outcomes for Tasmanian senior secondary students, and
- Wilkinsons Point.

The Committee has just re-established with new members from the House of Assembly, and the Committee looks forward to continuing to enhance public sector accountability and performance through its activities.

The Members of the Committee are:

Legislative Council

Hon Ruth Forrest MLC (Chair) Hon Luke Edmunds MLC Hon Bec Thomas MLC (Deputy Chair) House of Assembly Mr Roger Jaensch MP Mr Marcus Vermey MP Mr Dean Winter MP



Further information on the Committee's activities and current inquiries is on the <u>Committee webpage</u>. ends

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