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Inquiry into Tasmanian Child and Family Centres

The Legislative Council Select Committee inquiring into Tasmanian Child and Family Centres (CFCs) has tabled its Final Report today.

The Inquiry resulted in 22 findings and 14 recommendations that highlighted the benefits of CFCs, as well as some of the challenges they face in providing an effective service to Tasmanian children and their families.

A key finding and subsequent recommendation was that existing CFCs be retained and additional outreach services provided to assist families to access CFCs, particularly in regional areas. The Inquiry also recommends that new CFCs be built in areas identified via mapping of service gaps. Data collection and sharing was also identified as an important area for future consideration.

The Chair of the Inquiry, the Hon Josh Willie MLC, extended his sincere thanks to the CFC staff, service providers, volunteers and children and families who provided input to the Inquiry.

The Final Report should be read in conjunction with submissions and Hansard transcripts and is available on a dedicated [Inquiry page](http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/ctee/Council/LC%20Select%20Tas%20Child%20Family%20Centres%202016.html) of the parliament of Tasmania website at:
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