



Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts

Media Advisory

Wednesday, 27 November 2024

Amended Terms of Reference and Public Hearing:

Inquiry into the TT-Line Spirits Project

The Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts (Committee) is undertaking a targeted inquiry into the TT-Lines Spirits Project, with particular reference to the delivery of the new Spirit of Tasmania vessels and associated infrastructure and the decision by TT-Line to vary the terms of the contract for the new Spirit of Tasmania vessels, including its adherence to caretaker conventions.

Amended Terms of Reference

Pursuant to a resolution passed by the House of Assembly on 20 November 2024, in accordance with section 6(1) of the *Public Accounts Act 1970*, the Committee has amended the Inquiry's Terms of Reference to include the following:

- a) the adherence of TT-Line, TasPorts and the Tasmanian Government to the most recently announced delivery schedule and budget
- b) options to minimise delays and reduce additional expenses for taxpayers
- c) opportunities to support the Tasmanian tourism industry and Tasmanian Producers until the new ships are in service, and to maximise the benefits once they are
- d) the appropriateness of the project's oversight and governance arrangements, and
- e) any other matters incidental thereto.

The Committee has resolved to seek submissions from interested parties for **point (c) only**, and will advertise through its normal channels to receive the same in the New Year.

Public Hearing, Friday 29 November 2024

Further to the Committee's 18 November 2024 media advisory, the Committee will be conducting a public hearing with Hon Premier Jeremy Rockliff MP on Friday, 29 November 2024 (see attached).

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



The Members of the Committee are:

Legislative Council

Hon Ruth Forrest MLC (Chair)

Hon Luke Edmunds MLC

Hon Bec Thomas MLC

House of Assembly

Mr Simon Behrakis MP

Mr Mark Shelton MP

Mr Josh Willie MP (Deputy Chair)

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

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Public Hearing Schedule

Public Hearing:

Inquiry into the TT-Line Spirits Project

Date: Friday, 29 November 2024

Venue: Committee Room 2 – Parliament House, Hobart

Time

08:40 – 09:40

Witnesses

Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP (Premier)