

Inquiry into historical development consents in NSW

Terms of reference

That the Committee on Environment and Planning inquire into and report on historical development consents in New South Wales, including:

- (a) The current legal framework for development consents, including the physical commencement test.
- (b) Impacts to the planning system, development industry and property ownership as a result of the uncertain status of lawfully commenced development consents.
- (c) Any barriers to addressing historical development consents using current legal provisions, and the benefits and costs to taxpayers of taking action on historical development concerns.
- (d) Possible policy and legal options to address concerns regarding historical development consents, particularly the non-completion of consents that cannot lapse, and options for further regulatory support, including from other jurisdictions.
- (e) Any other matters.

