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Parliamentary committee taking evidence in shark inquiry

The Legislative Assembly Committee on Investment, Industry and Regional Development will hold a public hearing in Ballina, Committee Chair Kevin Anderson MP announced today. The Committee is currently conducting an inquiry into the management of sharks in NSW waters.

“There have been a number of incidents involving sharks in the Ballina area in recent months. We are keen to hear from people and communities who are affected by this issue,” Mr Anderson said.

As part of its inquiry, the Committee is conducting a public hearing at the Ballina Surf Club on Thursday 26 November. Organisations scheduled to give evidence include local councils, surf clubs, tourism operators and environmental groups.

“The Committee has received more than 80 submissions to its inquiry and most of those have come from the north coast region,” explained Mr Anderson. “We understand that people have differing views about how best to manage sharks. That’s why we want to hear from a range of different stakeholders, to get everybody’s perspective on the issue.”

The hearing is open to the public.

Further information about the inquiry can be obtained by visiting the Committee’s website at: <http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/investmentindustryandregionaldev>.

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