

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CLOSURE OR DOWNSIZING OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW FACILITIES

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- 1. That a select committee be appointed to inquire into and report on the closure or downsizing of Corrective Services NSW facilities and in particular:
 - (a) the basis for the decision to close or downsize any facility including the documents and other records that were considered by the Minister, such as any economic or financial analysis,
 - (b) each Rural Impact Statement completed before the decision to close or downsize any rural or regional facility,
 - (c) all consultation that was undertaken prior to the decision with stakeholders, including local government, chambers of commerce, industrial bodies, prisoner welfare groups and staff,
 - (d) the costs associated with the closure or downsizing of each facility and the relocation of the prisoner population to other locations,
 - (e) the impact on staff and their families, and on families of Indigenous inmates, of any closure or downsizing,
 - (f) the long-term plans of each closed facility including maintenance and/or management arrangements,
 - (g) the management of any heritage values for each of the closed facilities,
 - (h) the process used to identify any public sector employment opportunities that could be re-located to rural and regional communities to replace job losses due to the closure or down-sizing of a Corrective Services NSW facility, and
 - (i) any other related matters.
- 2. That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the committee consist of seven members comprising:
 - (a) three Government members,
 - (b) two Opposition members, and

- (c) two crossbench members, one of which will be Mr Paul Green.
- 3. That the Chair of the committee be Mr Paul Green.
- 4. That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, at any meeting of the committee, any four members of the Committee will constitute a quorum.
- 5. That a committee member who is unable to attend a deliberative meeting in person may participate by electronic communication and may move any motion and be counted for the purpose of any quorum or division, provided that:
 - (a) the Chair is present in the meeting room,
 - (b) all members are able to speak and hear each other at all times, and
 - (c) a member may not participate by electronic communication in a meeting to consider a draft report—put and passed.