



**SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE
DURAL CARAVAN INCIDENT AND THE PASSAGE OF RELEVANT BILLS
THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

- (1) That a select committee be established to inquire into and report on the relationship between the Dural caravan incident and the passage of the Crimes Amendment (Places of Worship) Bill 2025, the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Bill 2025 and the Crimes Amendment (Inciting Racial Hatred) Bill 2025 through the Legislative Council, and in particular:
 - (a) evidence and knowledge about the incident held by the Premier, Minister for Police and Counter-terrorism, Minister for the Hunter, and the Attorney General at various times between 19 January 2025 and 20 February 2025
 - (b) relevant briefings given by the NSW Police Force prior to or on 20 February 2025
 - (c) relevant briefings given by the Australian Federal Police prior to or on 20 February 2025
 - (d) any references to the incident in any briefing materials prepared for the development, introduction and debate on the bills in the Legislative Council
 - (e) statements made by members of the Executive Government in the press and during debate on the bills
 - (f) the provision of information to the public and Parliament prior to and during the debate of the bills in the Legislative Council
 - (g) any decision to release or withhold information
 - (h) the impact of any such decision on parliamentary deliberations, and
 - (i) any other related matter.
- (2) That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the committee consist of eight members comprising:
 - (a) three government members
 - (b) two opposition members, one being Mrs Carter, and
 - (c) three crossbench members, being Ms Higginson, Mr Roberts and Mr Ruddick.
- (3) That the Chair of the committee be Mr Roberts and the Deputy Chair be Mrs Carter.
- (4) That, unless the committee decides otherwise:

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- (a) all inquiries are to be advertised via social media, stakeholder emails and a media release distributed to all media outlets in New South Wales
- (b) submissions to inquiries are to be published, subject to the Committee Clerk checking for confidentiality and adverse mention and, where those issues arise, bringing them to the attention of the committee for consideration
- (c) attachments to submissions are to remain confidential
- (d) the Chair's proposed witness list is to be circulated to provide members with an opportunity to amend the list, with the witness list agreed to by email, unless a member requests the Chair to convene a meeting to resolve any disagreement
- (e) the sequence of questions to be asked at hearings alternate between Opposition, crossbench and Government members, in that order, with equal time allocated to each
- (f) transcripts of evidence taken at public hearings are to be published
- (g) supplementary questions are to be lodged with the Committee Clerk within two business days following the receipt of the hearing transcript, with witnesses requested to return answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions within 21 calendar days of the date on which questions are forwarded to the witness
- (h) answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions are to be published, subject to the Committee Clerk checking for confidentiality and adverse mention and, where those issues arise, bringing them to the attention of the committee for consideration, and
- (i) media statements on behalf of the committee are to be made only by the Chair.

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