



Inquiry into the Sydenham-Bankstown Line conversion

Terms of Reference

1. That Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and Customer Service inquire into and report on aspects of the planned conversion of the Sydenham-Bankstown Line from heavy rail to metro, being the southwest part of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest project, including:
 - (a) the adequacy of the business case and viability of Metro,
 - (b) the consideration of alternatives for improving capacity and reducing congestion,
 - (c) the factors taken into account when comparing the alternatives and the robustness of the evidence used in decision-making,
 - (d) whether metro is a suitable means of transport over long distances,
 - (e) the consultation process undertaken with, and the adequacy of information given to, community, experts and other stakeholders,
 - (f) the impact on the environment and heritage conservation,
 - (g) any lobbying, political donations or other influence of the public or private sector in relation to making that decision,
 - (h) the tender process for appointing private operators,
 - (i) the contractual arrangements entered into in respect of the project,
 - (j) the adequacy of temporary transport arrangements during the conversion process, including for people with a disability,
 - (k) the impact on the stations west of Bankstown, and
 - (l) any related matter.
2. That the committee report by Tuesday 31 March 2020.

Committee membership

Ms Abigail Boyd MLC	The Greens	<i>Chair</i>
Hon Mark Banasiak MLC	Shooter, Fishers and Farmers Party	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Hon Catherine Cusack MLC	Liberal Party	
Hon Anthony D'Adam MLC*	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Wes Fang MLC	The Nationals	
Hon Shayne Mallard MLC	Liberal Party	
Hon Daniel Mookhey MLC	Australian Labor Party	

*Hon Anthony D'Adam MLC substituted for Hon Peter Primrose MLC from 27 August 2019 for the duration of the inquiry.