



**2025 Inquiry into the operation of the approved charitable organisations under the
*Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979***

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. That Portfolio Committee No. 4 – Regional NSW annually inquire into and report on the operation of the charitable organisations approved under s 34B of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979*, and in particular:
 - (a) the matters contained in the annual reports of the approved charitable organisations, including their financial statements
 - (b) the exercise by the approved charitable organisations of their compliance and enforcement functions under the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979*, and
 - (c) any other related matters.
2. That the committee commence its annual inquiry following the publication of the annual reports of the approved charitable organisations and report by the end of the financial year.

The terms of reference for the inquiry were self-referred by the committee on 1 September 2025.

Committee membership

Hon Mark Banasiak MLC	Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party	<i>Chair</i>
Hon Emma Hurst MLC	Animal Justice Party	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Hon Scott Barrett MLC*	The Nationals	
Ms Abigail Boyd MLC*	The Greens	
Hon Greg Donnelly MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Sarah Mitchell MLC	The Nationals	
Hon Cameron Murphy MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Peter Primrose MLC	Australian Labor Party	

* Ms Abigail Boyd MLC is a participating member of this inquiry from 26 September 2025 for the duration of the inquiry

*The Hon Scott Barrett MLC replaced the Hon Aileen MacDonald MLC as a substantive member of the committee from 5 February 2026.