

# Hearing Schedule

NSW Legislative Council

Portfolio Committee No. 4 – Regional NSW



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

Thursday, 2 April 2026

Macquarie Room, Parliament House, Sydney

Time	Witness	Position and Organisation	Sub No.
9.00 am	Private meeting		
9.15 am	Mr Steve Coleman	Chief Executive Officer, RSPCA NSW	56
	Mr Scott Meyers	Chief Inspector, RSPCA NSW	
10.15 am	Mr Stephen Albin	Chief Executive Officer, Animal Welfare League NSW	-
	Ms Linda Geddes (via videoconference)	Board of Directors President, Animal Welfare League NSW	
	Ms Amanda Gray	Chief Inspector, Animal Welfare League NSW	
11.15 am	Morning tea		
11.30 am	Mr Michael Donnelly	President, Animal Care Australia	47
	Mr Sam Davies	Vice President, Animal Care Australia	
	Ms Tara Ward	Volunteer Managing Solicitor, Animal Defenders Office	48
	Mr Timothy Crossman	President, SAFE Rehoming	27
12.30 pm	Mr Rob McIntosh	Chair, NSW Farmers	28
	Mrs Lizzie Sarks	Policy Director – Plant Industries, NSW Farmers	
1.00 pm	Lunch		
1.45 pm	Mr Steve Courney	President, Professional Dog Trainers Australia	49
	Ms Teale Shapcott (via videoconference)	Vice President, Professional Dog Trainers Australia	
2.15 pm	Ms Rachel Connell	Deputy Secretary Agriculture and Biosecurity, Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development	-
	Mr Peter Day	Executive Director Strategy & Regulatory Policy, Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development	

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Time	Witness	Position and Organisation	Sub No.
3.15 pm	Afternoon tea		
3.30 pm	Ms Mary Macken	Private Individual	<a href="#">57</a>
4.00 pm	FINISH		

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