



**Inquiry into the integrity, efficacy, and value for money of the Local Small Commitments Allocation process**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

1. That the Public Accountability and Works Committee inquire into and report on the integrity, efficacy, and value for money of the Local Small Commitments Allocation process and in particular:
  - (a) the range and availability of funding under the program, including but not limited to the manner in which grants were and are determined, including:
    - (i) the oversight of funding determinations
    - (ii) the transparency of decision making
    - (iii) the independence of the assessment of projects
    - (iv) the role of advocates, candidates, and Members of Parliament in proposing projects for funding, and
    - (v) the scope of Ministers' discretion in determining which projects are approved
  - (b) the role and interaction of the Premier's Department and other agencies in the process, assessment, and facilitation of grants
  - (c) measures necessary to ensure the integrity of grants schemes and public confidence in the allocation of public money, and
  - (d) any other related matter.

The terms of reference were self-referred by the committee on 21 November 2024.

**Committee membership**

<b>Ms Abigail Boyd MLC</b>	The Greens	<i>Chair</i>
<b>Hon Mark Buttigieg MLC</b>	Australian Labor Party	
<b>Hon Dr Sarah Kaine MLC</b>	Australian Labor Party	
<b>Hon Mark Latham MLC</b>	Independent	
<b>Hon Sarah Mitchell MLC</b>	The Nationals	
<b>Hon Peter Primrose MLC</b>	Australian Labor Party	
<b>Hon Chris Rath MLC*</b>	Liberal Party	

\* The Hon Chris Rath MLC substituted for the Hon Scott Farlow MLC from 25 November 2024 for the duration of the inquiry.