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SUBMISSION CLOSING DATE EXTENDED FOR INQUIRY INTO PUBLIC TOILETS

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The closing date for submissions to the Upper House inquiry into public toilets has been extended to **Monday 2 December 2024**.

Dr Amanda Cohn MLC, Chair of the inquiry said: 'Public toilets are vital to ensuring everyone, particularly people with chronic medical conditions, parents of young children, people with a disability and carers, can participate in community life across New South Wales.'

The Chair continued: 'The terms of reference for this inquiry explore how the provision of public toilets, including toilets provided in public places and toilets provided for the use of members of the public in private premises accessed by the public, can be improved. In particular, the committee is examining:

- the provision, design, accessibility and inclusivity of public toilets across New South Wales,
- the regulation of, and for funding for, public toilets across the state and whether new standards, guidelines, funding models, legislation or other forms of regulation are warranted,
- state, national and international best practice for the provision and maintenance of public toilets,
- the employment arrangements and conditions of cleaners who clean public toilets in both public and private premises.'

Dr Cohn concluded: 'The committee looks forward to receiving submissions from interested stakeholders and members of the community.'

Have your say

The closing date for submissions is **Monday 2 December 2024**. For further information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, please visit the committee <u>website</u>.

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