Victorian Electoral Commissioner to appear before Joint Parliamentary Committee

The review of the 2022 state election commences on Monday, with outgoing Victorian Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately to be grilled by Victorian MPs as part of the Electoral Matters Committee's first public inquiry.

The recent state election saw falling voter turnout and an increased level of harassment at polling stations.

"It's clear there is much to learn from the post-pandemic 2022 state election, and the Committee looks forward to the Commissioner's evidence across a range of critical issues, from enrolment to candidature and voting procedures," said Committee Chair Will Fowles.

"Victorians deserve nothing less than a strong democratic process, and recommendations from the Committee's report will deliver significant reforms for future elections," Mr Fowles added.

The first of these public hearings will commence at 8am on Monday 27 March, and will be livestreamed online at the Parliament of Victoria's <u>website</u>.

A call for public submissions will occur at a later date.