



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA
Environment and Planning Standing Committee – Legislative Council

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Inquiry to hear evidence of air pollution’s impact on asthma

Representatives of Asthma Australia will appear at the Legislative Council’s Environment and Planning Committee hearings into the health impacts of air pollution on Victorians next week.

CEO, Michele Goldman and Policy and Advocacy Manager, Angela Cartwright are set to appear on the second day of hearings on Wednesday 11 August at 10 am via Zoom.

Also appearing Wednesday is Dr Rob Phair, President of the Rural Doctors Association of Victoria.

On Tuesday 10 August Victoria’s Chief Health Officer, Professor Brett Sutton, as well as representatives of the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and the Environmental Protection Authority will appear from 9 am.

The full schedule is available on the Committee's [website](#).

The hearings will be conducted via Zoom and broadcast live on the Parliament’s [website](#).

Specifically, the Committee will seek to:

- identify state-wide practical, real-time, cost-effective mitigation strategies
- determine to what extent these strategies are ensuring that Victorian air quality continues to track towards meeting or exceeding current international best practice standards and is enforced
- determine the impact of economic and population growth on air pollution and health outcomes
- strengthen commitments across all Victorian Government portfolios to reduce air pollution and minimise the impact on the health of the Victorian population and environment.

A final report is due to be presented to Parliament later this year.

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