



# Media release

## Select Committee on the 2026 Commonwealth Games Bid

### Former Commonwealth Games Ministers to front inquiry

Two Government MPs are set to appear before the Victorian parliamentary committee investigating the cancellation of the 2026 Commonwealth Games.

Shaun Leane served as Minister for Commonwealth Games Legacy from June 2022 to December 2022.

Harriet Shing then held the role from December 2022 until July 2023, when the Games were cancelled.

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“Many regional communities were promised infrastructure as part of the State Government’s commitment to host the 2026 Commonwealth Games,” Committee Chair David Limbrick said.

“It’s important we hear directly from these MPs about their knowledge of the cost blowouts and ultimately the decision to cancel the event,” he said.

“We previously requested the attendance of Premier Jacinta Allan in her former capacity as the Minister for Commonwealth Games Delivery.

“As the Legislative Assembly has refused to allow her to attend we are hoping the government ministers in the Legislative Council will provide answers on the decisions made during her tenure.”

On Monday 23 October the Committee will hear from sporting bodies including Commonwealth Games Australia, Swimming Victoria, Volleyball Australia, Volleyball Victoria and Event Pty Ltd.

“These organisations will be able to give us insight into the impact of the Games cancellation on community, social, amateur and professional sport in Victoria,” Mr Limbrick said.

People can still [make a submission](#) as part of the inquiry until Monday 23 October 2023.

For full hearing schedules and other inquiry related information go to the [Committee’s website](#).

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