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Inquiry into the control of invasive animals on Crown land

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Mr Paul Hamlett.

The CHAIR — We are now going to convene the public forum. There are a number of people in the gallery. I understand there may not be any further individuals that would like to speak at the public forum, but I would like to invite anybody that is interested to make a comment as part of the public forum to please indicate their interest to Christopher Gribbin. I would like to call anyone forward that would like to make any further comments in addition to the public hearings.

Mr HAMLETT — I just want to make an observation about the advertising for the public meeting. There was a press release that came out on Tuesday of this week and a post on your Facebook site, and I am just wondering whether that was sufficient time to actually garner enough people to come and why there was only two days notice. It would seem that that is — —

The CHAIR — Agreed. We cannot change what happened. We are learning from this for the next public hearings, which will be in Bright and Mansfield. There will be much more notice. I guess it is a relatively new thing, but yes, we do not think there was enough notice.

Mr HAMLETT — That was my only comment.

The CHAIR — We appreciate it. Thank you. We will definitely take you up on that comment and action it.

Witness withdrew.

Proceedings in camera follow.