

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND JUSTICE STANDING COMMITTEE

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NEW INQUIRY INTO WA POLICE PERFORMANCE

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee has initiated an inquiry into policing in WA.

The inquiry will examine the methods employed by WA Police to evaluate performance.

The inquiry has been initiated with a view to ensuring proper evaluation is in place for aspects of reforms to policing which are being implemented across the metropolitan area.

The inquiry will look into the ways in which police measure and evaluate performance across a range of areas, including interaction with the community and deployment of staff.

There is big investment by WA taxpayers in policing. It is appropriate that at the same time as new - and in some cases untested - reforms are rolled out that robust measures exist to gauge their effectiveness.

It is anticipated that the inquiry will examine a broad range of police administrative and operational activities.

The Committee will report the outcome of this inquiry to the Legislative Assembly by 26 November 2015.

The Committee currently comprises three members from the Legislative Assembly:

Ms Margaret Quirk, MLA (Chair)
Dr Tony Buti, MLA (Deputy Chair)
Mr Mick Murray, MLA

For further comment about the inquiry terms of reference, contact Committee Chair Margaret Quirk on 0409038162.

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