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Local voices at homelessness inquiry

On Tuesday 23 June 2020 a range of local councils and service providers will be presenting at the next public hearing for the parliamentary inquiry into homelessness.

Being conducted by the Legislative Council Legal and Social Issues Committee, the public hearing will be broadcast live on the Victorian Parliament's [website](#) from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

“There is currently much pressure on local councils and service providers responding to homelessness,” Committee Chair Fiona Patten said.

“This public hearing will provide an opportunity for the Committee to find out what’s happening at the local level in various areas and to discuss some of the possible solutions going forward,” Ms Patten said.

The schedule of witnesses for the hearing is available from the Committee's [website](#) along with the submissions received and transcripts from previous hearings.

Public hearings for the inquiry, which commenced last year, have moved online due to the COVID-19 emergency.

“This is a challenging time for many people but particularly service providers helping people who are homeless or facing homelessness. It’s important that this inquiry hears from them, so that we can work on recommendations to deal with the issues they are confronting,” Ms Patten said.

Further online hearings are scheduled for 1, 2 and 13 July.

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