Plastic Bags Bill hearing next Thursday

A public hearing will be held next Thursday 1 December on proposed legislation that would restrict the supply and sale of plastic bags in Victoria.

The public hearing by the Environment and Planning Committee will be held from 9:30 am to 4:45 pm (approx.) in the Legislative Council Committee Room at Parliament House.

The Committee is examining the Environment Protection Amendment (Banning Plastic Bags, Packaging and Microbeads) Bill 2016.

The Bill seeks to restrict the supply and sale of plastic bags and plastic and polystyrene packaging, and would prohibit the supply and sale of plastic microbeads.

Local government representatives, environment groups and academics will present their views to the Committee.

A further public hearing will be scheduled for industry and state government representatives.

The schedule for Thursday's hearing will be available from the Committee's <u>website</u> early next week.

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