Hearing set for Prahran and Werribee by-elections inquiry

Parliament's Electoral Matters Committee (EMC) will hold a public hearing this Friday 20 June as part of its inquiry into the 2025 Prahran and Werribee by-elections.

The inquiry is primarily focused on the planning, management and conduct of the by-elections by the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC), including the VEC's management of issues such as informing the community, the suitability of voting centres and election offices, managing voting centres and vote counting.

The hearing will be held from 9 am and be livestreamed on the Committee's website.

The Committee will hear from the Member for Prahran, Rachel Westaway MP, representatives of the West Party, the Liberal Party of Australia, the Australian Greens Victoria, Victorian Labor Party and the Victorian Electoral Commission.

The full schedule is available on the Committee's website.

The conduct of VEC staff, possible improvements to the way the VEC manages elections and the factors influencing voter turnout are also key areas of interest for EMC.

The by-elections were both held on Saturday 8 February 2025 and the full results are accessible on the VEC's <u>website</u>.

EMC is a joint committee involving members of the government, opposition and minor parties from both houses of parliament.

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