## Victorian voting centre accessibility inquiry invites input

Organisations and individuals can have their say on the accessibility of voting centres as part of a new inquiry.

The inquiry is specifically looking at Victorian state elections, with the next state election scheduled for November 2026.

Parliament's Electoral Matters Committee is particularly interested in what criteria should be considered when selecting voting centres so that they are accessible to people with disability, and what assistance voting centre staff should offer to people with disability.

"If you have a disability, or help someone who does, we would like to hear about your experience at voting centres in previous Victorian elections," Committee Chair Dylan Wight said.

"Tell us what was done well and what could have been better."

Other issues that will be considered include compliance with disability access standards, signage, lighting and safety measures, and the provision of information and assistance to voters with accessibility needs.

"People have raised concerns about the accessibility of voting centres in previous inquiries," Mr Wight said.

"To keep our democracy strong, it is important that every elector has the support they need to vote."

People can <u>make submissions to the inquiry</u> in writing or by sending an audio or video file.

The inquiry into voting centre accessibility is open to submissions from the public until 20 February 2026.

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