



FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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From Ms Georgie Crozier MP, Chair

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Submission deadline extended for child abuse Inquiry

The Family and Community Development Committee today announced an extension to the submission deadline for the Inquiry into the handling of child abuse by religious and other non-government organisations.

Family and Community Development Committee Chair, Ms Georgie Crozier MP, said submissions are now due by Friday 21 September, a three week extension to the original deadline.

“The Committee wants to make sure anyone who wants their story to be heard has the time and support needed to get their submission in,” Ms Crozier said.

“We want the Committee to be as well informed as possible before the hearings commence.”

Dates and locations of hearings for 2012 will be announced shortly.

Further assistance:

- For further information regarding submissions, please see the Committee website at <http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/fcdc/inquiry/340> or phone (03) 8682 2843
- [Help for victims](#) - including support in preparing a submission, preparing for and attending a public hearings and linking people to local support groups and services - is available through the Victims of Crime Helpline on 1800 819 817
- For media queries by journalists, please contact Amanda Kennedy on (03) 8682 2843