

Inquiry into the Government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic

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Submission:

We understand that the response to the pandemic has been as 'novel' as the virus itself, and that like a virus the response has had to 'mutate' as more has become known and learned. However, we do not understand why the Victorian Government has had such a difficulty with admitting error, with making changes to their plans, and with lifting the restrictions.

The debacle over both the quarantine and the protests which have both led to deaths is utterly unconscionable. The lack of responsibility and accountability is unbelievable.

The science and the professional opinion of a plethora of specialists which indicates the masks and the lockdowns are unnecessarily heavy burdens for the society to endure is being ignored.

I will leave aside any room for error regarding the virus actually being as dangerous (or not) as predicted, but the fact remains that the cost of responding the way this government has is too high. Victoria may never fully recover from the actual cost. Thousands of Victorians will never see their future because they have died or taken their lives.

The government should have done many things they didn't.

The government should have admitted error and rectified things.

The government should be held to account for anything they continue to force the people of Victoria to endure unnecessarily. The lockdowns, the masks, and the specific examples such as the pregnant mother or the media man or the elderly ladies or the mentally ill who have been utterly mistreated are enough to prove that things have gone too far in this so called 'response'.

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