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Written submission period extended

Written submissions to the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings will now be accepted until 3 September 2021.

More than 60 submissions have already been received and President and Commissioner the Honourable Marcia Neave AO thanked the victim-survivors and organisations who made submissions which have informed the Commission's work to date.

Commissioner Neave said it was appropriate to extend the submission period to allow as many people as possible to contribute and the Commission had developed an assisted submissions process to make the process easier.

"We appreciate the time and energy that has gone into making the initial submissions, which have proven to be extremely valuable," Commissioner Neave said.

"We want to hear from any victim-survivors and supporters of children who have been affected by current issues in the Tasmanian Government's responses to child sexual abuse in institutional settings to help to identify opportunities for change."

Commissioner Neave said people who have been affected by, or who have knowledge of, recent allegations and incidents of child sexual abuse in the education system and public schools, the health system and at the Ashley Youth Detention Centre should make a submission.

"Anyone who has a view on these issues and problems, and what should be done to address them, is welcome to make a submission," Commissioner Neave said.

Information on how to make a submission, including the assisted submissions process, and the treatment of submissions is available on [the Commission's website](#).

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