

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND JUSTICE STANDING COMMITTEE

MEDIA ALERT

From: Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Chair

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COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES POLICE AGENCY REVIEW

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee announced today that it will conduct an agency review hearing with WA Police next Monday (19 May 2014).

Oversight of the activities of the WA Police and Road Safety falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee.

In particular, the Committee wishes to look into the conduct of the investigation of traffic incidents involving the Member for Vasse on or about 23 February 2014.

The Committee's examination will include:

- Police communications and integration of information related to the incident
- Investigations undertaken by police officers on the night in question
- The nature of demand for police attendance on the night in question
- The subsequent conduct of the investigation and collection of evidence
- The decision to prosecute, the charges laid and legal advice sought

As this is a review of police procedures and operations, the Committee will call on the Police Commissioner and police officers involved in the investigation to appear at the hearing, but will not require the Member for Vasse to give evidence.

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