

# SA COVID-19 TRANSITION COMMITTEE

## Meeting 44: 18 September

### Actions:

Reference	Action
2.4	CE DTI to discuss with CE DIS local businesses that have established their own contact tracing solutions.
3.7	SAPOL and SA Health to advise Clubs SA and AHA SA that their correspondence had been considered and they would lead continued engagement on the issues therein.

### 1. Welcome and apologies

- 1.1 All members present.
- 1.2 Dr Evan Everest, Dr Chris Lease, Mr Don Frater and AC Noel Bamford attended as guests.

### 2. AHPPC update

- 2.1 CPHO advised that the Commonwealth have published a paper on hotspots as it relates to the provision of Commonwealth assistance including access to the National Stockpile. This differs from the earlier work undertaken by AHPPC to define a hotspot as consensus was unable to be reached with the Commonwealth.
- 2.2 CPHO provided an update on the effective reproduction rate in each jurisdiction using modelling provided to AHPPC, with the current estimated rate in SA 1.08.
- 2.3 CPHO advised that the last case of unknown origin to be recorded in NSW was 8 September.
- 2.4 The Committee discussed examples provided to National Cabinet of businesses that have established their own contact tracing solutions. **Action: CE DTI to discuss with CE DIS.**

### 3. Risk Review

- 3.1 The Committee noted that NSW were currently at 10 days without a case of unknown source. Allowing a full incubation period of 14 days, the trigger for reconsideration of quarantine requirements for travellers into SA from NSW may be satisfied by next week.
- 3.2 The Committee noted correspondence from the Australian Hotels Association SA and Clubs SA on the current restriction on standing consumption of food and alcohol.

- 3.3 The Committee also noted a research summary on evidence of COVID-19 transmission in entertainment settings published by SAHMRI.
- 3.4 The Committee discussed whether, noting reduced transmission risk in outdoor settings, an easing of restrictions to allow vertical consumption outdoors ought to be considered.
- 3.5 The Committee noted that such an approach has challenges in ensuring the community understand restrictions and apply them consistently, as well as noting the allowing outdoor vertical consumption would also allow it at a variety of events, including those with large scale and people movement (eg events of 3000+ patrons). For large events, being outdoors is not necessarily enough to mitigate the risks of greater movement and circulation of large numbers of people, and the requirement for seated consumption helps with crowd traffic management.
- 3.6 **Action: SAPOL and Department for Health and Wellbeing to continue to liaise with AHA SA and Clubs SA**
- 3.7 The Committee noted the need to resolve the restrictions that are expected to apply ongoing once travel from all states and territories is allowed. CPHO indicated this work would be attempted by AHPPC to ensure consistency between jurisdictions.

#### 4. Any other business

- 4.1 Nil.