

SA COVID-19 TRANSITION COMMITTEE

Meeting 47: 01 October 2020

Actions:

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4.6	Schedule transit and cross-border zone for discussion at a Transition Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday 6 October.

Outcomes:

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4.8	The Committee agreed to recommend to the Commissioner that standing consumption of alcohol could be allowed in the outdoor spaces of licensed venues.
4.10	The Committee agreed to recommend to the Commissioner that both vertical consumption and dancing could be allowed at private functions at licenced venues provided: a maximum of 150 guests over the duration of the function, contact tracing records were kept, COVID Marshals are present, and separate toilet facilities are available and designated for the function.

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

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

2. AHPPC update

- 2.1 CPHO noted AHPPC discussions on one-way travel from New Zealand were ongoing, with a risk assessment prepared by the Commonwealth but further discussion on agreed metrics and specific information from NZ health authorities still to be resolved.

3. Economic update

- 3.1 CE DTF advised that building approvals data released last week was weak, but that this likely reflects a delay in development approvals given the emerging data related to the Housebuilder program.

- 3.2 CE DTF also advised that Job Keeper eligibility had been reduced by the Commonwealth government

4. Risk review

Borders

- 4.1 SAPOL advised of ongoing challenges receiving and processing arrivals at the airport, with 6,000 total arrivals yesterday up from a previous average of 2,000.
- 4.2 While onward overseas travellers remain a risk some form of screening will be required, and it is this assessment which tends to delay the processing. SAPOL will continue to consider the mechanics of a reduced screening process.
- 4.3 The Committee discussed extending the cross-border zone from 40 km to 100 km on either side of the border. Action: SA Health to consider and provide advice to SAPOL for discussion at the next meeting.
- 4.4 The Committee also noted the operational challenges of NSW travellers presenting at the Yamba checkpoint having transited through Victoria, without being aware that this would preclude their entry to SA and their return to NSW, effectively stranding them in Victoria.
- 4.5 SAPOL will consider options to be given effect through the Direction requiring transiting passengers to declare that they have not stopped in Victoria on their through-journey.
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Public activities

- 4.7 The Committee discussed the potential to reconsider public activities restrictions in circumstances where there is a lower or mitigable risk.
- 4.8 The Committee agreed to recommend to the Commissioner that standing consumption of alcohol could be allowed in the outdoor spaces of licensed venues.
- 4.9 The Committee discussed the risk of private functions which are closed to the public and have a set guest list (as a contact tracing record).
- 4.10 Given other mitigations including COVID Marshals, no public access, separate toilets and the density requirements, the Committee agreed to recommend to the Commissioner that both vertical consumption and dancing could be allowed at private functions at licensed venues so long as those mitigations were a requirement.
- 4.11 The Commissioner advised the Committee that both these changes would be announced today, along with the changes to mitigate the risks of Schoolies celebrations, and would take effect from 0001 hours Saturday 3 October.

5. Any other business

5.1 Nil