

SA COVID-19 TRANSITION COMMITTEE

Meeting 50: 13 October

Actions:

Reference	Action
2.4	SA Health to return to the next meeting with advice on quarantine requirements for travellers arriving from New Zealand.
4.3	Review travel restrictions at the next meeting of the Transition Committee.

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

- 1.1 Mr David Reynolds and Commissioner Grant Stevens were apologies for this meeting, with the latter represented by AC Noel Bamford.
- 1.2 Dr Evan Everest, Ms Jane Cox and Ms Ingrid Norman attended as guests.

2. AHPPC update

- 2.1 CPHO discussed the clusters in NSW, noting a new case which has yet to be linked to a cluster presents a concern of untraced community transmission. Travel from NSW to SA without quarantine will continue to be monitored closely.
- 2.2 CPHO noted AHPPC work requested by National Cabinet on alternatives to hotel quarantine based on risk stratification of the countries the traveller has been in. Australian Border Force advise they can track the countries that have been visited by the traveller prior to arriving in Australia. Interactions during transit and air travel are also relevant risk factors.
- 2.3 CPHO noted the travel bubble with New Zealand would commence on 16 October with only Northern Territory and New South Wales not requiring quarantine of New Zealand travellers. SA Health is seeking further information from New Zealand to determine whether SA should continue to require quarantine from New Zealand travellers.
- 2.4 Action: SA Health to return to the next meeting with advice on quarantine requirements for travellers arriving from New Zealand.

3. Economic update

- 3.1 CE DTI noted positive economic trends towards pre-pandemic conditions.
- 3.2 CE DTI advised the Committee of an unemployment rate of 7.9% and a youth unemployment rate of 14.1%.

4. Risk Review

- 4.1 SAPOL advised the Committee that NSW has agreed to a reciprocal travel arrangement for travellers transiting between our two states via Mildura.
- 4.2 SAPOL noted arrivals continue to climb, with 13,500 arriving from NSW in the previous week. Airport traffic is increasing, with about 3,000 domestic travellers arriving per day, compared to 10,000 pre-pandemic.
- 4.3 Action: Committee to consider further easing of travel restrictions at the next meeting.