

# SA COVID-19 TRANSITION COMMITTEE

Meeting: 26 July 2021

## Outcomes:

Reference	Action
2.4	The Committee recommended to the State Coordinator that masks be required in high risk settings (health, aged care, etc), passenger transport, personal care, and indoor public spaces, with their use in other settings to be a matter of policy and advice.
2.5	The Committee recommended to the State Coordinator that at the cessation of the stay at home direction, sport be allowed to resume in training but not competition. Sport is also to be added to the Cross Border Travel Direction as a reason for border community members to travel.
2.8	The Committee recommended to the State Coordinator that COVID Management Plan events remain prohibited after the cessation of the stay at home direction.

## Minutes

### 1. Welcome and apologies

- 1.1 All members present via Microsoft Teams.
- 1.2 Mr Rick Persse, Dr Evan Everest, Supt Stuart McLean, A/Supt Catherine Hilliard, Ms Ingrid Norman, Dr Chris Lease and Mr Don Frater attended as guests.

### 2. Outbreak Update

- 2.1 CPHO provided an update on management of the Modbury outbreak, noting excellent compliance of people in quarantine and that this outbreak was identified and contained before it created spread in workplaces.
- 2.2 The Committee discussed the requirements that would apply at the cessation of the stay at home direction.
- 2.3 The Committee discussed the use of masks, and noted the distinction between circumstances in which they would be mandatory (eg enforceable through an Emergency Management Direction), policy (eg in schools), and strongly recommended (eg public advice).
- 2.4 The Committee agreed to recommend that:

- An Emergency Management Direction will require mask use in high risk settings (health, aged care etc), passenger transport, personal care, and indoor public spaces.
  - The CPHO will direct the CE DfE in writing on a range of mitigation measures to be implemented in schools, including the wearing of masks by adults and secondary school students.
  - Public messaging will strongly encourage the wearing of masks outside of the mandatory settings, with policy advice to be published by SA Health indicating when this is appropriate and general exceptions. This will be able to provide advice to business and industry about the circumstances in which exemptions to mask wearing should be considered, such as call centres where staff need to enunciate clearly.
- 2.5 The Committee noted the risk of a resumption of sport, and agreed to recommend to the State Coordinator:
- The Emergency Management Direction will allow for training but not competition in sports at all levels.
  - SA Health will continue to work with sports codes and OSR to plan for the recommencement of competition for the weekend 7-8 August.
- 2.6 The Committee noted that the construction industry had indicated a preference to allow supply chain activities to recommence in the day prior to the cessation of the stay at home direction to allow construction to commence immediately.
- 2.7 On balance, the Committee considered that noting the other industries for which supply chain activity is important, and the need to ensure equity and manage the risk of the outbreak, no exemption would be made from the stay at home direction for this purpose.
- 2.8 The Committee discussed the risk of COVID Management Plan events and noted that they would not be allowed to proceed, with SA Health to work with plan holders to manage their events to under the 1000 person threshold.