



THE SENATE

**RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**Bank closures in regional Australia**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Wednesday 16 August 2023**

**Beverley Cornerstone CRC Building  
141 Vincent Street, Beverley**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.20 am	<b>Bankwest</b> Mr Robert Cory, Head of External Communications and Sustainability Mr Scott Spittles, General Manager, Personal Banking
10.00 am	<b>Shire of Beverly</b> Cr David White, President Mr Stephen Gollan, Chief Executive Officer  <b>Shire of Quairading</b> Cr Peter Smith, President  <b>Shire of York</b> Cr Denese Smythe, President  <b>York Business Association</b> Ms Karen Thomas, President
10.30 am	<b>Shire of Brookton</b> Mr Gary Sherry, Chief Executive Officer  <b>Shire of Wyalkatchem</b> Cr Quentin Davies, President  <b>North Eastern Wheatbelt Regional Organisation of Councils</b> Ms Caroline Executive Officer
<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>Break</b>
11.10 am	<b>Beverley Country Women's Association</b> ( <i>Submission 275</i> ) Ms Pat Hambly, President Ms Diane Colebrook, Secretary  <b>Rural Regional Remote Women's Network of WA</b> ( <i>Submission 474</i> ) Ms Kendall Galbraith, Chief Executive Officer
11.40 am	<b>Ballardong Aboriginal Corporation</b>
<b>12.10 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>

Committee Chair: Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan

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1.00 pm	<b>Regional Development Australia Wheatbelt Inc</b> ( <i>Submission 323</i> ) The Hon Terry Waldron, Chairman Mrs Mandy Walker, Director of Regional Development
1.30 pm	<b>Beverley Post News and Gifts</b> ( <i>Submission 314</i> ) Mrs Vicky Fregon, Licensee Mr John Fregon, Licensee
2.00 pm	<b>Beverly Agricultural Society</b>
2.30 pm	<b>Open Session</b> Members of the Beverly and surrounding communities
<b>3.00 pm</b>	<b><i>Adjournment</i></b>