



THE SENATE

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE COST OF LIVING**

**Select Committee on Cost of Living**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Thursday 1 February 2024**

**Leichhardt Room, Hotel Grand Chancellor  
23 Leichhardt St, Brisbane**

*\* All times are in Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)*

| Time     | Witness   |
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| 9.00 am  | <p><b>Les Twentyman Foundation</b><br/>Mr Les Twentyman OAM, Founder<br/>Mr Paul Burke, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p><b>Brotherhood of St Laurence (via teleconference) (Submission 34)</b><br/>Mr Daniel Crotty, Head of Inclusion<br/>Dr Emily Porter, Senior Research Fellow, Work and Economic Security, Social Policy and Research Centre</p> <p><b>Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand</b><br/>Dr Jozica Kutin, General Manager, Policy, Advocacy and Service Impact<br/>Ms Karen Denham, Financial Resilience Services Program QLD</p> |
| 10.00 am | <p><b>Queensland Council of Social Service</b><br/>Mr Scott Brown, Executive Director, Research and Policy</p> <p><b>Anglicare Southern Queensland</b><br/>Mr Jason Ware, Chief Operating Officer, Children, Youth and Families<br/>Ms Liz Giles, Group Manager, Social and Community Services</p> <p><b>Roseberry QLD (via teleconference)</b><br/>Mr Fabian Webber, Youth Services Coordinator</p>  |
| 11.00 am | <b>Morning tea</b>  |
| 11.15 am | <p><b>Queensland Association of State School Principals</b><br/>Mr Patrick Murphy, President</p> <p><b>Australian Secondary Principals Association (via teleconference)</b><br/>Mr Andy Mison, President</p> <p><b>P&amp;C's QLD (via teleconference)</b><br/>Ms Donagh Freestun, Chair</p> <p><b>Australian Council of State School Organisations (via teleconference)</b><br/>Mr Damien Ellwood, President<br/>Mrs Dianne Giblin, Chief Executive Officer</p>   |

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| 12.15 pm       | <b>Catholic Secondary Principals Association</b><br>Ms Ann Rebgetz, Past President 2021-2023<br><br><b>National Catholic Education Commission (via teleconference)</b><br>Ms Jacinta Collins, Executive Director  |
| <b>1.15 pm</b> | <b>Lunch</b>  |
| 2.15 pm        | <b>Australian Education Union (via teleconference)</b><br>Ms Coreenna Haythorpe, Federal President<br><br><b>United Workers Union (via teleconference)</b><br>Mr Tim Kennedy, Secretary<br><br><b>Think Forward (via teleconference) (Submission 94)</b><br>Mr Thomas Walker, Chief Executive Officer |
| 3.15 pm        | <b>Consumers Health Forum of Australia (via teleconference) (Submission 44)</b><br>Dr Elizabeth Deveny, Chief Executive Officer<br><br><b>Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (via teleconference)</b><br>Dr Nicole Higgins, President  |
| <b>4.15 pm</b> | <b>Afternoon tea</b>  |
| 4.30 pm        | <b>Asthma Australia (Submission 25)</b><br>Ms Laura Clarke, Policy Advisor<br><br><b>Arthritis Australia</b><br>Mr Jonathan Smithers, Chief Executive Officer<br>Ms Louise Hardy, Director of Policy and Advocacy   |
| <b>5.30 pm</b> | <b>Adjournment</b>  |