

COMMUNIQUE

The eighth meeting of the NSW Asbestos Coordination Committee (NACC) was held on 30 August 2022.

Progress on *Setting the Direction*

Work on each of the NACC's five priority issues under *Setting the Direction* continues to progress well. One of the key pieces of work, delivered by the Department of Planning and Environment, has been to map how asbestos is regulated through each planning approval pathway. We are considering areas of opportunity to address key gaps in the planning approvals pathways. A lot of great work to get our teeth into.

The NACC also heard from the EPA about the range of work being undertaken to improve asbestos management in the waste stream.

As part of the NACC's commitment to holding itself accountable, the NACC will be releasing a report later this year that outlines the work being done across government to deliver the actions under *Setting the Direction*. Just as importantly the report will set out the groundwork for the issues and themes that the NACC thinks are crucial in NSW in the longer term.

Developing a five-year strategic agenda

Committee members have been busy in the last three months continuing to deep dive into the key issues that are being considered for the long term strategy agenda. It's really pleasing to see the collaboration across government that is going on as part of this.

More on the NACC's longer horizons of issues will be part of the end of year publication. We are working to have a five-year strategic agenda ready for Government to consider in 2023.



Carolyn Walsh
Independent Chair

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