

# Media Release

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## INQUIRY INTO MCCRAE LANDSLIDE TO GIVE ANSWERS TO RESIDENTS

The Allan Labor Government is listening to McCrae residents impacted by landslide, setting out a plan to get to the bottom of what happened and to prevent similar incidences occurring in the future.

Premier Jacinta Allan and Minister for Local Government Nick Staikos today announced that the Government intends to establish a Board of Inquiry into the cause of the landslide that occurred in McCrae within the Mornington Peninsula Shire.

In January, multiple homes were evacuated in McCrae and a council worker was hospitalised after a house slid down a hill and collided with other homes following the landslide.

The Board of Inquiry will be asked to determine the cause of the landslide, what happened and whether it could have been avoided.

It will also determine the adequacy of preventative measures taken to mitigate the risks following other landslides in McCrae.

The Inquiry's findings and recommendations will identify any measures deemed necessary to prevent or mitigate risk of similar events occurring in the future across Victoria.

Once established, the Inquiry will develop a process for locals to engage with its work, with details on how people can submit their stories to be released in the coming weeks.

The Inquiry will be asked to deliver its final report later this year, including recommendations to Government.

### **Quote attributable to Premier Jacinta Allan**

*"We need to get to the bottom of what has happened here because too many people have been let down and too many questions remain unanswered."*

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Local Government Nick Staikos**

*"An independent Inquiry will ensure local residents' voices are heard and help us do everything we can to ensure it doesn't happen again."*

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Emergency Services Vicki Ward**

*"We thank our dedicated emergency services for their response efforts and supporting those impacted. This is a challenging time for these residents - we know this next step will help to deliver the answers they need."*

### **Quote attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh**

*"We'll continue working with evacuated residents to make sure they are supported and back into their homes as soon as possible."*