



LEGAL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
REVIEW COMMITTEE

**A PREAMBLE FOR THE QUEENSLAND
CONSTITUTION?**

Feedback form

This feedback form can be used to make a submission. Submissions may also be made in another form such as a letter. If additional space is required for responding to issues, please insert supplementary pages with reference to the issue being addressed.

The release of the issues paper, with the committee's call for submissions, is the first stage in the committee's review of the recommendations of the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission regarding a preamble for the Queensland Constitution.

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ISSUE 1 (refer page 6)

Should the Queensland Constitution contain a preamble?

Yes

ISSUE 2 (refer page 7)

Should the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission draft preamble be adopted in Queensland?

No

ISSUE 3 (refer page 9)

What purpose should a preamble to the Queensland Constitution serve?

To state that the Qld Constitution is bound by the original Federal Constitution, British Bill of Rights 1688 and the Imperial Acts Application Act 1980.

ISSUE 4 (refer page 9)

What type of language should the preamble use?

*Short and to the point
No legal mumbo jumbo*

ISSUE 5 (refer page 9)

How extensive should the preamble be?

Simply state that the Magna Carta¹²¹⁷ and the Bill of Rights 1688 are still enactments continued in force.

ISSUE 6 (refer page 9)

Should the Queensland Constitution specifically state that the preamble cannot be used to interpret other provisions of the Constitution?

No

ISSUE 7 (refer page 10)

Should there be a reference to the origins or history of the Constitution in the preamble?

yes

ISSUE 8 (refer page 10)

Should the preamble refer to the sovereignty of the people and, if so, how?

We are a Sovereign Nation and not governed by the U.N. or America or the I.M.F. world Bank

ISSUE 9 (refer page 11)

Should the preamble refer to God and, if so, how?

Yes. State that Australian Society[^] and Government should be Christian in outlook, ethics and ideals

ISSUE 10 (refer page 12)

Should the preamble recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and, if so, how?

No we are one Nation together

ISSUE 11 (refer page 12)

Should the preamble recognise cultural diversity and, if so, how?

No we are one nation together

ISSUE 12 (refer page 13)

Should the preamble recognise the rule of law and, if so, how?

Yes refer to Magna Carta, Bill of Rights, Imperial Acts Application Act

ISSUE 13 (refer page 14)

Should the preamble refer to 'equality' and, if so, how?

yes State all ~~not~~ Races and sexes are equal before the law

ISSUE 14 (refer page 14)

Should the preamble refer to gender equality and, if so, how?

AS ABOVE

ISSUE 15 (refer page 14)

Should the preamble recognise the status of the Constitution and, if so, how?

yes refer to origin of all laws and rights

ISSUE 16 (refer page 15)

Should the preamble recognise the system of government the Constitution establishes and, if so, how and to what extent?

yes refer to Westminster system and all rights guaranteed under this system

ISSUE 17 (refer page 15)

Should the preamble refer to the environment and, if so, how?

No

ISSUE 18 (refer page 15)

Should the preamble contain other elements and, if so, what should they be?

Should state that this legislation can not be circumvented by foreign treaties or Interpretation by Judges

ISSUE 19 (refer page 17)

How might text be developed around the identified elements of a preamble?

ISSUE 20 (refer page 17)

How should the community be consulted in this process?

Radio, TV, Papers explaining & simply what this ~~with~~ Preamble will mean to the laws we live by in perpetuity

ISSUE 21 (refer page 17)

Who should be consulted?

People from all walks of life
not just the rich or the politically
correct or government

ISSUE 22 (refer page 18)

Should a referendum be held to insert a preamble into the Queensland Constitution?

Yes

ISSUE 23 (refer page 18)

Should an 'interim' preamble to the Queensland Constitution be inserted by way of an Act of Parliament prior to a final version being confirmed by way of a referendum?

No

ISSUE 24 (refer page 18)

When is an appropriate time to consider a referendum on the issue of a preamble for the Queensland Constitution?

Any time other than at an election
as there is no consensus about what
is being asked