

Inquiries Act 2005

2005 CHAPTER 12

Inquiry reports

24 Submission of reports

- (1) The chairman of an inquiry must deliver a report to the Minister setting out—
 - (a) the facts determined by the inquiry panel;
 - (b) the recommendations of the panel (where the terms of reference required it to make recommendations).

The report may also contain anything else that the panel considers to be relevant to the terms of reference (including any recommendations the panel sees fit to make despite not being required to do so by the terms of reference).

- (2) In relation to an inquiry that is brought to an end under section 14(1)(b), the duty imposed by subsection (1) to deliver a report is to be read as a power to do so.
- (3) Before making a report under subsection (1) the chairman may deliver to the Minister a report under this subsection (an "interim report") containing anything that a report under subsection (1) may contain.
- (4) A report of an inquiry must be signed by each member of the inquiry panel.
- (5) If the inquiry panel is unable to produce a unanimous report, the report must reasonably reflect the points of disagreement.
- (6) In subsections (4) and (5) "report" includes an interim report.