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Morrison Government Response to the 5G Inquiry

The Morrison Government has welcomed the report on “The Next Gen Future” by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts and tabled its response to the report.

The Committee considered 538 submissions and held six public hearings, to inquire into and report on the deployment, adoption and application of 5G in Australia.

Minister for Communications, Cyber Safety and the Arts, the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, said he was pleased to deliver the Government’s response and thanked the Committee for their work.

“2021 will be the Year of 5G. The telcos continue to accelerate the deployment of their 5G networks, and, as we have announced, the Government will hold two 5G spectrum auctions next year,” Minister Fletcher said. “The Government has also launched the 5G Innovation Initiative to enable key sectors across the economy to trial new 5G uses.”

Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts, the Hon Dr David Gillespie MP, said that the Committee heard from a range of experts to develop the comprehensive report.

“The Committee benefitted from the expertise of industry leaders, start-ups, regulators, businesses and researchers. This range of contributions helped us understand the opportunities and challenges for Australia to become a 5G world leader,” Dr Gillespie said.

“I want to thank everyone who contributed to the Inquiry and look forward to seeing the benefits that 5G will provide to Australians.”

The Government’s response will be published shortly on the [Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts webpage](#).

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