



## **Detailed survey for the Greyhound Racing Act 2017 Review**

**Consultation period: 8/7/2020 9:00 am to 26/8/2020 11:59 pm**

Share your views on the changes in the greyhound racing industry since the Greyhound Racing Act was introduced in 2017.

This is the detailed survey (20 minutes). Please read the Discussion Paper before you complete this survey:

<https://bit.ly/GRA2017DiscussionPaper> (or email [racing.admin@racing.nsw.gov.au](mailto:racing.admin@racing.nsw.gov.au) for a copy).

A short survey (5 minutes) is also available if you'd prefer.

You can send this form or other feedback to:

- Email: [racing.admin@racing.nsw.gov.au](mailto:racing.admin@racing.nsw.gov.au)
- Post: The Office of Racing | Greyhound Racing Act 2017 Review | GPO Box 7060 | Sydney NSW 2001

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### Your details

Required fields are marked with an asterisk \*

\* 1. All submissions will be used to inform a summary report. All submissions will remain anonymous unless you agree otherwise. Can we use all or parts of your submission to highlight or demonstrate the overall feedback received?

Yes, with my name / organisation used

\* Enter in the box below the name of the organisation or individual making this submission:

Yes, but anonymously

No, do not include all or specific parts of my submission in the public summary



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### Your details

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\* 3. Contact name:

4. Position (if applicable):

5. Organisation (if applicable):

6. Postal address:

\* 7. Do you live in regional NSW or the Greater Sydney region?

- Regional NSW
- Greater Sydney region
- Other

\* 8. Email:

## 9. Phone number

(please enter an Australian landline or mobile phone number including area code without spaces)

\* 10. What is your main relationship to the greyhound racing industry? Please select all that apply:

- I train / race greyhounds
- I work in / or my business is related to the greyhound racing industry
- I own greyhounds
- I am an animal welfare advocate
- I attend greyhound racing events
- I bet on greyhound racing events
- I don't have a specific relationship with the greyhound racing industry
- Other

\* 11. How recently have you visited a greyhound racing track?

- Within the last year
- Within the last three years
- More than three years ago
- I have never visited a greyhound racing track



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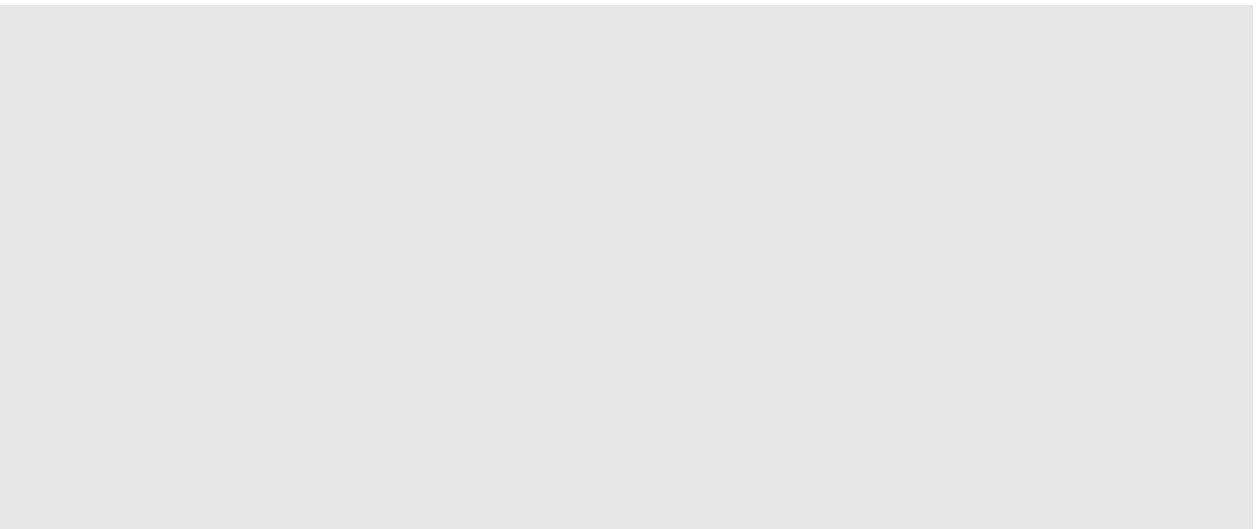
12. Since the introduction of the Greyhound Racing Act in 2017, to what extent do you think the greyhound racing reforms have improved the industry?

- Improved a lot
- Improved somewhat
- No improvement
- It has worsened
- Unsure

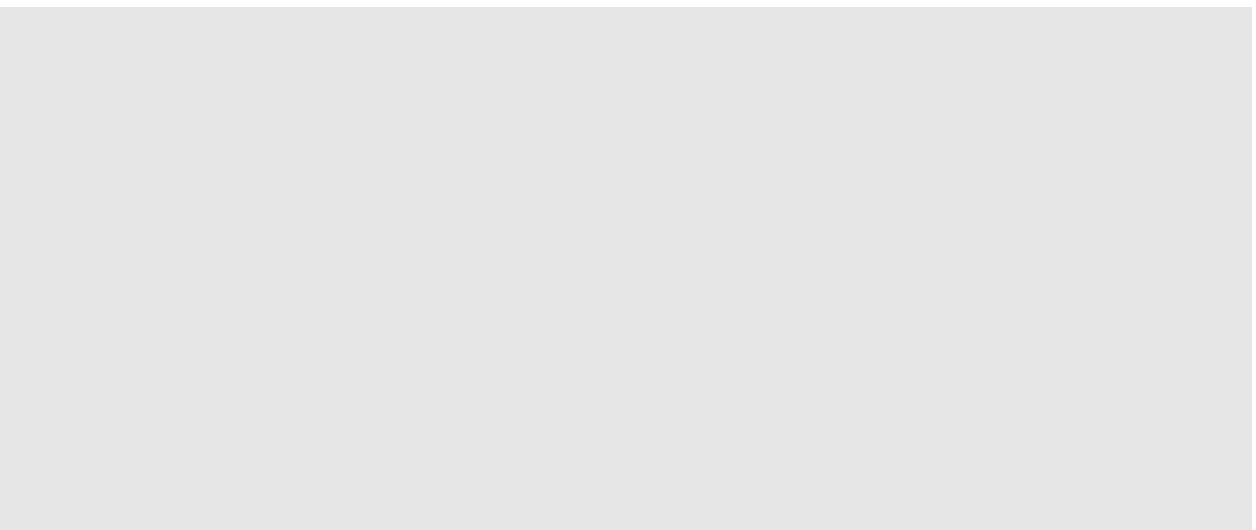
Please tell us why:

**The Greyhound Racing Act 2017 was introduced to support the NSW Government's reform of the NSW greyhound racing industry. The aims of the Act can be broadly grouped into the five areas below. You are welcome to share your feedback on any of these areas in the boxes provided.**

**13. Aim 1 – Introducing a new Commission to oversee and enforce animal welfare and integrity standards for the industry:**



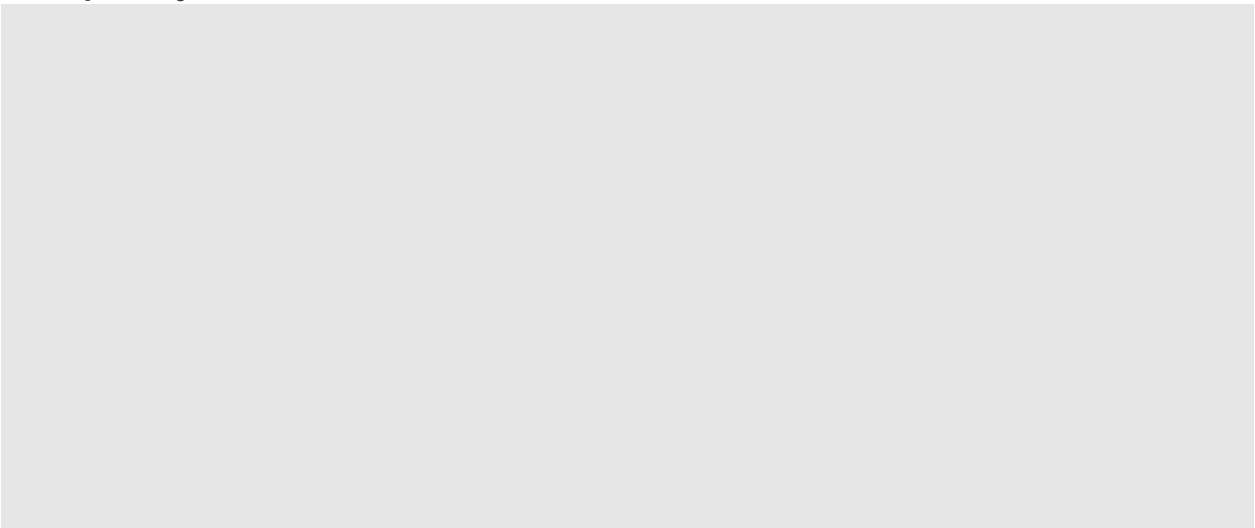
**14. Aim 2 – Improving animal welfare in the greyhound racing industry:**



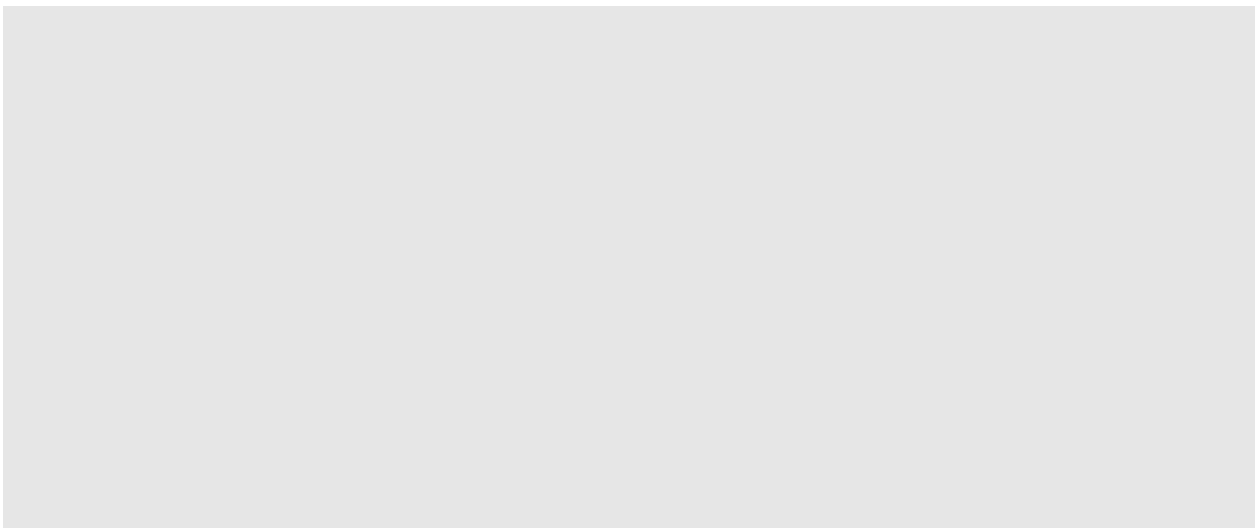
**15. Aim 3 – Improving registration for greyhounds, owners, clubs and trial tracks:**



**16. Aim 4 – Strengthening investigatory and enforcement powers and the tools that help regulate the industry (such as offences, fines, penalties and disciplinary measures):**



**17. Aim 5 – Focusing Greyhound Racing NSW’s role on the industry’s commercial viability, supporting greyhound welfare and promoting the industry:**

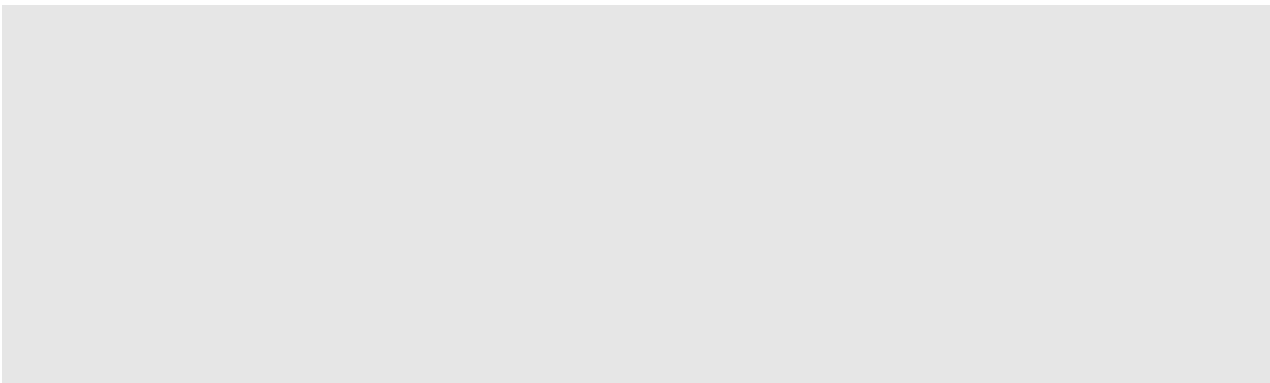


**18. Do you think areas of animal welfare such as breeding, rehoming, minimum track standards, injuries, exports, offences and penalties have been improved by the Act and related reforms?**

*Page 17 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

**Please tell us why:**



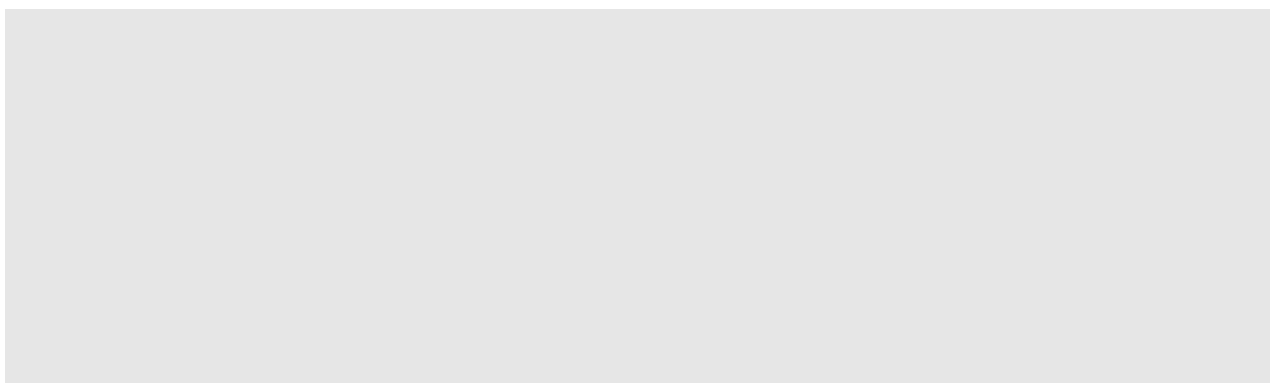
**19. Do the animal welfare offences and penalties in the Act strike the right balance to protect greyhound welfare?**

*Pages 17 and 29 of the Discussion Paper have more information.*

*Please note in NSW greyhound welfare is also regulated by the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act and the Crimes Act.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

**Please tell us why:**



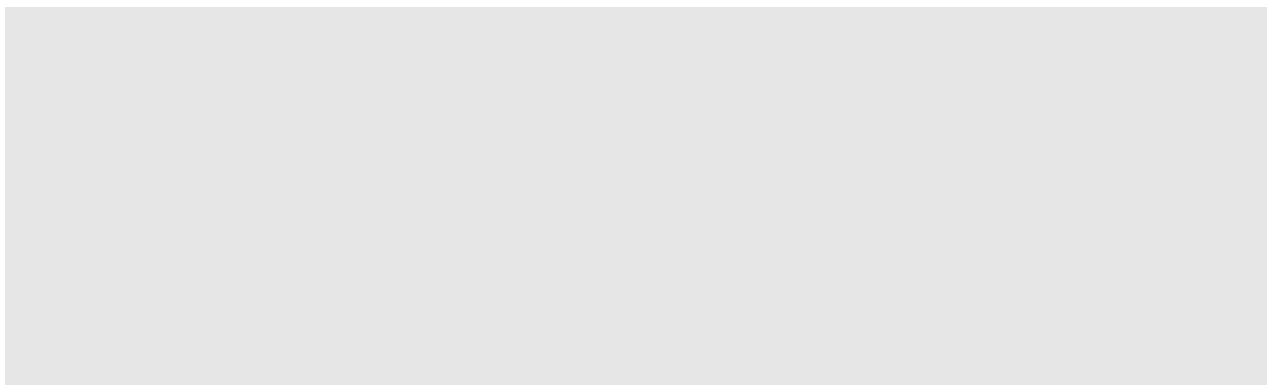


**20. Do the current registration requirements do enough to regulate people and animals working in the industry?**

*Page 23 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

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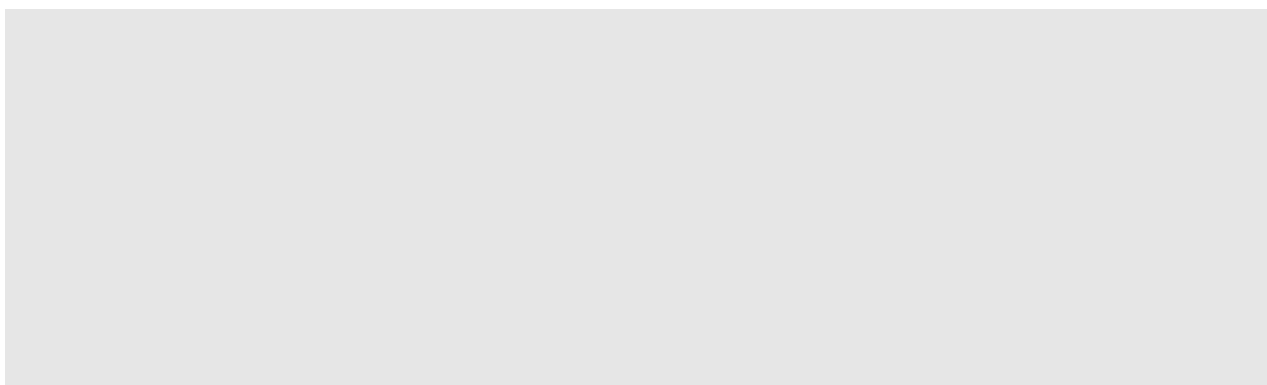


**21. Are offences, penalties and disciplinary actions available to the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission helping deter illegal behaviour and industry misconduct?**

*Pages 17, 26 and 29 of the Discussion Paper have more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

**Please tell us why (consider animal welfare offences, fines, disciplinary actions like bans, registration conditions, disqualifications and registration suspensions):**

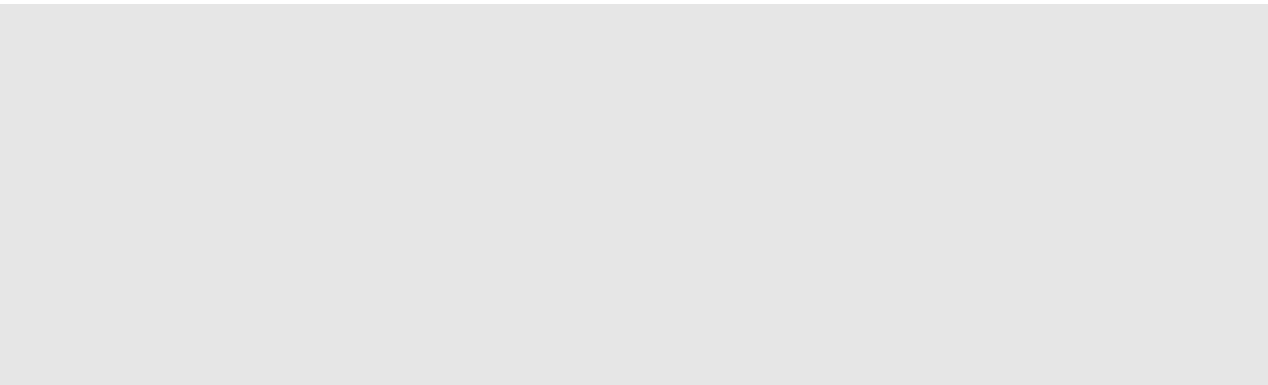


**22. Industry participants can ask the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission to review some disciplinary or other decisions. Are there other types of Commission decisions that should be reviewable?**

*Page 28 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

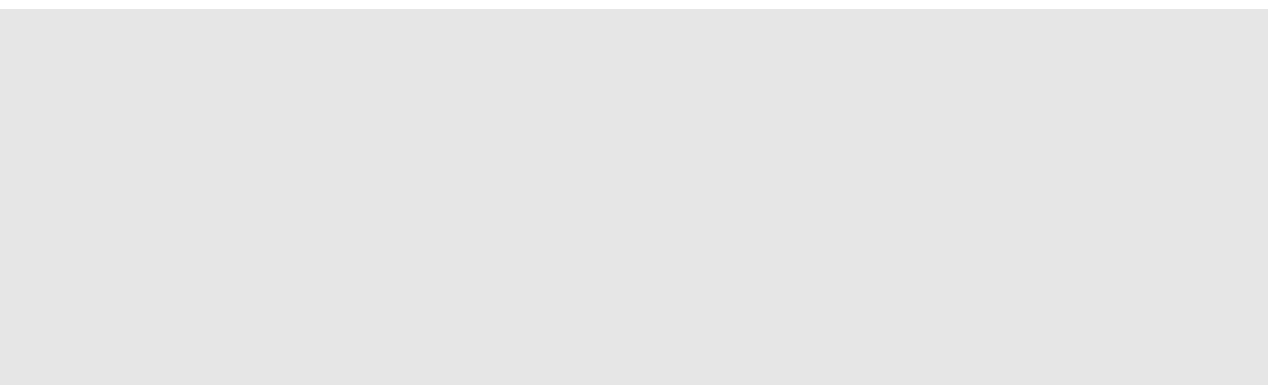
**Please tell us which other Commission decisions should also be reviewable:**



**23. The Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission was established to promote and protect the welfare of greyhounds, safeguard the integrity of greyhound racing and betting and maintain public confidence in the industry . Are the functions of the Commission (listed on page 9 of the Discussion Paper) helping it achieve this?**

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

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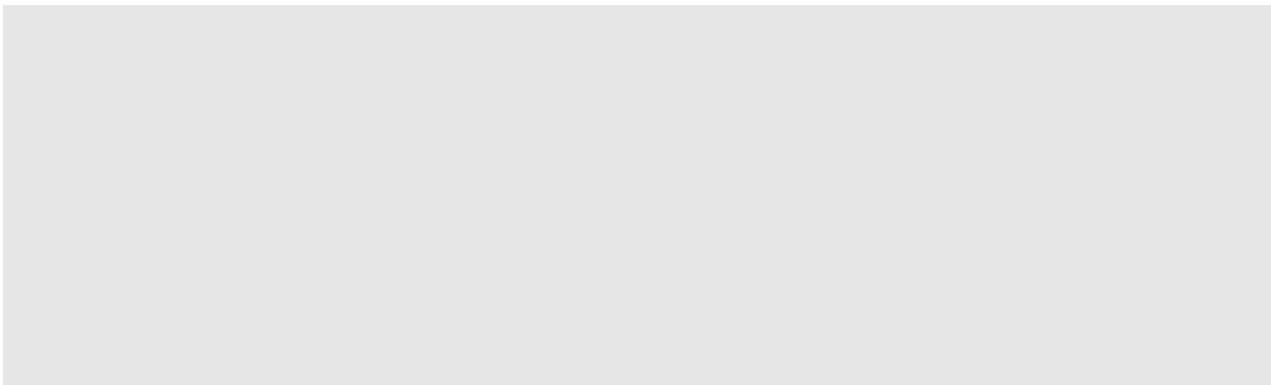


**24. Does the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission have enough investigative and enforcement powers to effectively regulate the industry?**

*Page 26 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

**Please tell us why (consider powers like property searches and seizure of evidence, information sharing with other organisations, charges and fines):**

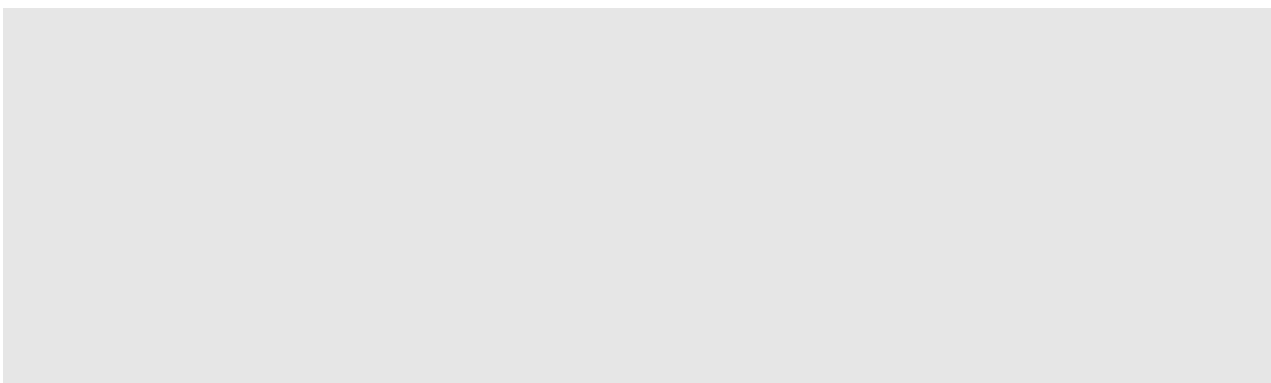


**25. The Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission must make their strategic plans and annual reports public and regularly reports on matters such as greyhound injuries and retirement outcomes. Should the Commission report on any other matters?**

*Pages 9 and 10 of the Discussion Paper have more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

**Please tell us why:**



**26. Under the Act, Greyhound Racing NSW must fund the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission. The Government has also committed funding through its greyhound racing reforms and the Point of Consumption tax. What do you think is the best way to fund the Commission in the future?**

*Page 11 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

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**27. Thinking about the governance and structure of the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission (the way it's set up and run), do you think anything should be done differently to enhance industry oversight and efficiency?**

*Page 9 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

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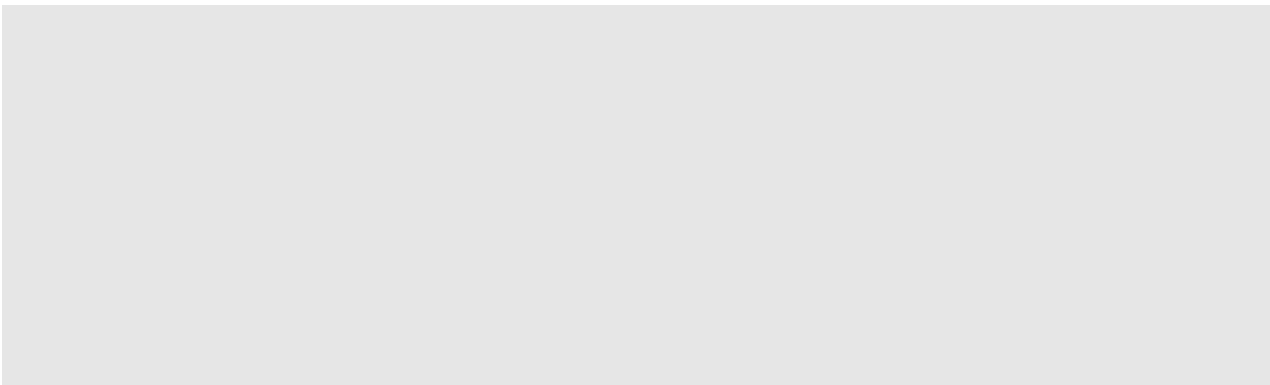
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**28. Thinking about the governance and structure of Greyhound Racing NSW (the way it's set up and run), do you think anything should be done differently to enhance industry oversight and efficiency?**

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- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

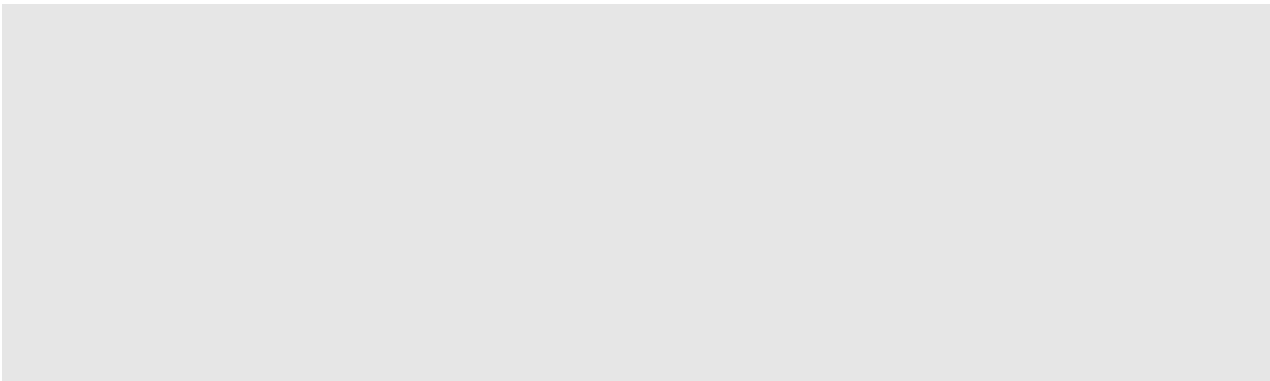
**Please tell us why:**



**29. Greyhound Racing NSW's objectives are to ensure the industry is commercially viable, supports greyhound welfare and maintains public trust. Do GRNSW's functions (listed on page 13 of the Discussion Paper) help it achieve its objectives?**

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

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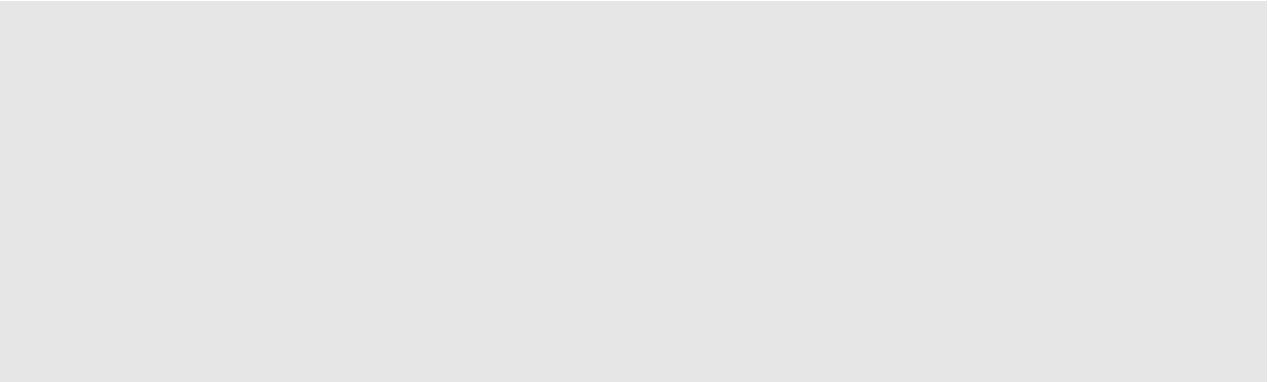


**30. Greyhound Racing NSW must make their strategic plans and reports public. Should it report on any other matters?**

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- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
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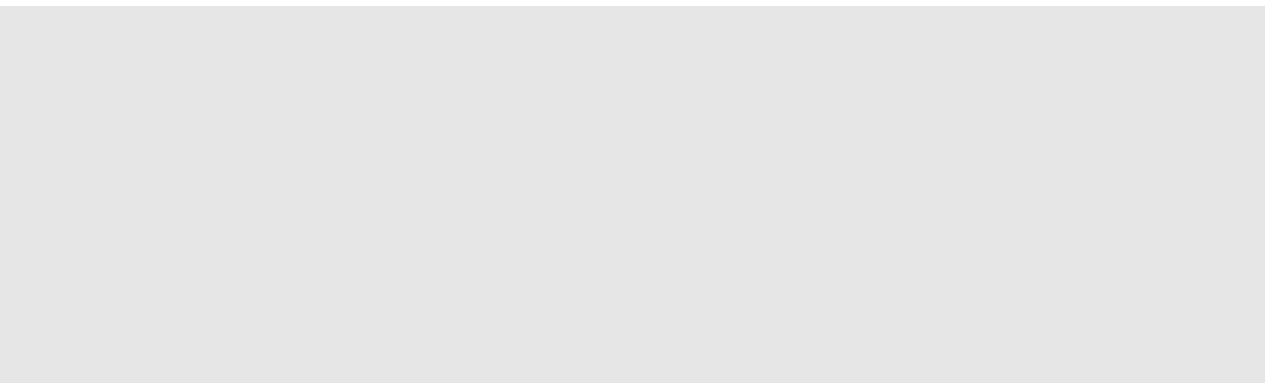


**31. Does requiring Greyhound Racing NSW to hold an Operating Licence strike the right balance between its independence as the industry's commercial body, and the NSW Government's need to set conditions on how the industry operates?**

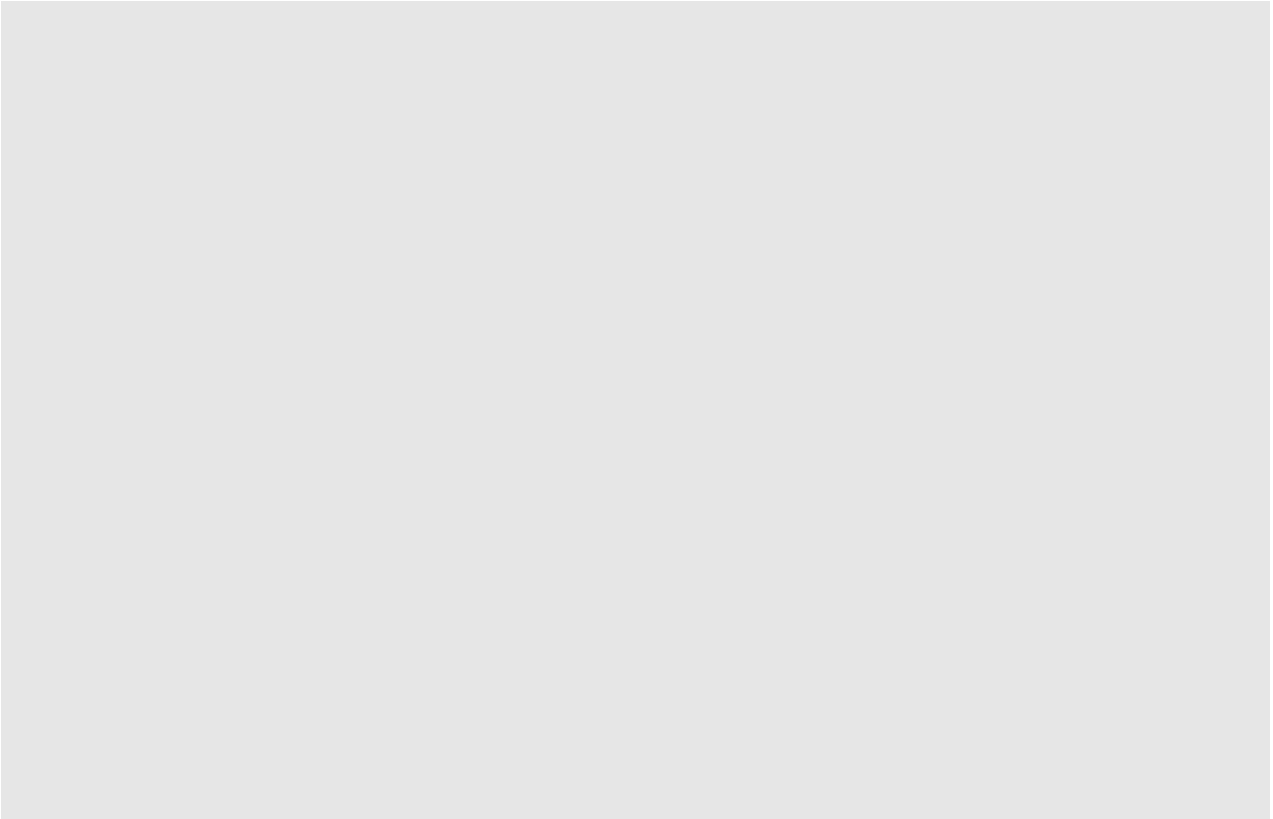
*Page 13 of the Discussion Paper has more information.*

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No
- Unsure

**Please tell us why:**



**32. Do you have any other feedback on the Act or how greyhound racing is regulated in NSW?**



**Attach any supporting materials to this form**