

Scottish COVID-19 Inquiry

Get involved



Easy Read Version

How can I get involved with the Inquiry?



Everyone in Scotland has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic so it is right that everyone should be involved in the Inquiry.

Everyone will have the chance to:



- Tell the Inquiry about their experience of the pandemic in Scotland.



- Keep up-to-date with the Inquiry's progress and read all documents published on its website.



- Answer any requests from the Inquiry for written evidence and documentation.



- Watch public hearings when they start, which the Inquiry intends to make available on its website (except hearings held in private).



- If invited by the Inquiry, give evidence as a witness at a public hearing.

Core participants



Some people or organisations will take part in the Inquiry as core participants. They have a special interest in the Inquiry's work. Core participants have particular rights in the Inquiry process.

These rights include:



- Making statements when the Inquiry holds public hearings (unless the Chair says they cannot).



- Suggesting questions that the Inquiry should ask witnesses.



- Asking questions of witnesses at a public hearing (if the Chair says they can).



- Being given advance copies of the Inquiry's reports.



Applications to be a core participant on the Inquiry closed on 16 September 2022. The Inquiry has published the list of core participants which is [available here](#).



It might be possible for people and organisations that have not applied to become core participants to apply later in the Inquiry. Further information about being a core participant is available on the Inquiry website.

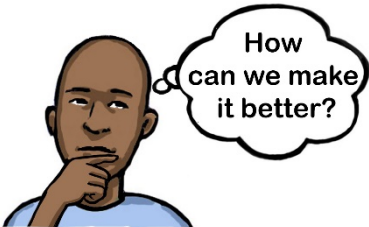


You do not have to be a core participant to be involved with the Inquiry. People and organisations can be involved in all the ways set out on pages 1 and 2.

Listening project



The Inquiry's listening project will give you the chance to tell us about your experience of the pandemic in Scotland and the lessons you think we should learn from it.



These experiences and thoughts from people and groups will help with the Inquiry's investigation, reporting and recommendations.



This project is preparing for its public launch in Spring 2023. Information about how you can get involved will be shared on our website.