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Windsor appointed to Parliamentary Committee

Independent Federal Member for New England, Tony Windsor has been appointed to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

This Committee replaces the previous Standing Committee on Primary Industries and Regional Services and is one of thirteen general purpose investigatory committees established by the House of Representatives of the Parliament of Australia.

The role of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is to carry out inquiries into matters referred to it by the House of Representatives or the Minister for Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry.

In past Parliaments, this committee has undertaken inquiries into and reports on things like the development of high technology industries in regional Australia based on bioprospecting; Primary producer access to gene technology; Adjusting to agricultural trade reform, and Managing Commonwealth Fisheries.

Mr Windsor is very pleased to have been appointed to the Standing Committee on Agriculture Fisheries & Forestry.

“It was my desire to become part of a Standing Committee in a field of interest which has a major influence on opportunities for growth of the Electorate of New England.

Also having a farming and economics background I am looking forward to objectively contributing to the workings of the Standing Committee from a personal experience point of view and as someone who will be able to understand the issues that need to be addressed by this Standing Committee

I am keen for this Standing Committee to take on the issue of Property Rights, the impact of National Competition Policy on country Australia as well as changes in Landcare Practices among their deliberations,” Mr Windsor said.

Mr Windsor joins on the Committee Mrs Kay Elson (Liberal & Chair); Mr Dick Adams, (Labor & Deputy Chair), John Forrest (Nationals), Joanna Gash (Liberal), Sussan Ley (Liberal), Alby Shultz (Liberal), Patrick Secker (Liberal), Sid Sidebottom (Labor) and Christian Zahra (Labor).

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