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Objective of this paper

The objective of this paper is to **inform** the Board about consultative documents already issued or to be issued by international standard-setting bodies.

Reasons for bringing this paper to the Board

- The Board's strategy is to influence the work of the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB), the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (IPSASB) and other relevant international organisations with a goal of having the principles in the Standards issued by these organisations aligned, where relevant and possible.
- Historically, the Board has decided which consultation documents to comment on based on factors such as the relevance and importance of the consultation to the AASB's projects and strategies, the potential impact of the proposals on Australian constituents and the priority of projects as decided by the Board. This agenda paper will assist the Board in deciding which consultation documents it should comment on.
- 4 Appendix A provides a summary of documents currently open for comment on which the Board has already made a decision on whether to provide feedback.

Document currently open for comment

The IASB, ISSB, IFRS Interpretations Committee and IPSASB currently have no documents open for comment that have not been previously considered by the board.

<u>IASB</u> and <u>ISSB</u> documents currently open for comment – decision needed from the Board as to whether to comment or to take other action

Originating organisation	Document	Date of release	AOSSG input	Comments due	Staff recommendation for AASB approach

IFRS Interpretations Committee's Tentative Agenda Decisions currently open for comment – decision needed from the Board as to whether to comment or to take other action

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IPSASB documents currently open for comment – decision needed from the Board as to whether to comment or to take other action

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Other relevant documents currently open for comment – decision needed from the Board as to whether to comment or to take other action

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Forthcoming documents open for comment – decision needed from the Board as to whether to comment or to take other action

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Appendix A

Current and forthcoming documents open for comment – decisions already made by the Board at previous meetings

Originating organisation	Document	Date of release	Comments due	Summary
IPSASB	Work Program Consultation 2024–2028	16 October 2025	4 May 2026	The IPSASB is seeking stakeholder input on which financial reporting, post-implementation review and sustainability reporting projects the IPSASB should prioritise for the remainder of its 2024–2028 strategic period. At its October 2025 meeting, the Board decided not to comment on the IPSASB Work Program Consultation.
IASB	Forthcoming Exposure Draft on Dynamic Risk Management	12/2025	TBC	The IASB has developed an accounting model that will enable investors to understand the effect of repricing risk management activities and interest rate risk management impacts on cash flows. The project was added to the standard-setting programme in May 2022, and the IASB is now working towards publishing an exposure draft. At its November 2024 meeting, the Board decided to comment on the ED.
ISSB	Exposure Draft on Enhancing the SASB Standards	06/2025	30/11/2025	The ISSB is preparing the ED of proposed amendments to a set of SASB Standards the ISSB has prioritised as a part of its work plan. The ISSB will consider proposing targeted amendments to other SASB Standards and is also researching additional enhancements to the SASB Standards and Sustainable Industry Classification System that it could next prioritise.
				At its November 2024 meeting, the Board decided to comment on the ED, which was also discussed at the July 2025 meeting: Agenda Paper 6.1 AASB response to Exposure Draft on Enhancing the SASB Standards.

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IFRS IC	Classification of a Foreign Exchange Difference from an Intragroup Monetary Liability	09/2025	25/11/2025	The IFRS IC received a query about classifying foreign exchange differences in consolidated profit or loss when intragroup monetary items are eliminated.
	(or Asset) (IFRS 18)			The request considered the following views:
				 View 1: Classify the FX difference in the operating category by default, as there is no corresponding income/expense category remaining post-elimination View 2: Classify the FX difference in the same category as the original income/expenses before elimination, unless doing so involves undue cost or effort, in which case, default to the operating category Other views: classifies the FX difference in the financing category because the transactions in the fact pattern involve only the raising of finance classifies the FX difference in the investing category because the FX difference arose from the transfer of cash from one currency into another for a period of time develops an accounting policy based on any of the views included in the request because IFRS 18 is not clear about how the exchange difference should be classified.
				The members of the IFRS IC concluded that only view 1 or view 2 would be considered as reasonable interpretation of paragraph B65 of IFRS 18.
				At its October 2025 meeting, the Board decided not to comment.

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IFRS IC	<u>of a Battery under an Offtake</u> <u>Arrangement (IFRS 16)</u>	09/2025	25/22/2025	The IFRS IC received a request about whether an electricity retailer obtains substantially all economic benefits from using a battery under an offtake arrangement under IFRS 16 paragraph B9(a).
				The fact pattern describes a battery owner and an electricity retailer who are participants in a gross pool electricity market, they enter into a battery offtake arrangement where the battery owner retains custody of the battery, the electricity retailer gives instructions on charging/discharging the battery, covering 100% of its capacity, and the battery cannot be substituted.
				The settlement process under the offtake arrangement is as follows:
				 the electricity retailer pays a fixed amount to the battery owner over the period of the contract for the right to use the battery; the battery owner operates the battery according to the electricity retailer's instructions by buying and selling electricity and settles those transactions with the market operator; the battery owner and the electricity retailer settle transactions in (a) and (b) periodically, net in cash.
				In applying paragraph B21 of IFRS 16 to the fact pattern, the IFRS IC observed that the battery offtake arrangement provides the electricity retailer with the economic benefits derived from the battery storage because the electricity retailer has the exclusive right to use the entire capacity of the battery for the duration of the arrangement and to direct the battery owner as to whether, when and by how much to charge and discharge

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				the battery. The IFRS IC concluded that the electricity retailer has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the battery.
				At its October 2025 meeting, the Board decided not to comment.
				The AASB staff has been advised that one Australian entity is preparing a submission to IFRS IC as they did not support the conclusion reached.