

## Court processes: Local Court Hearings

Magistrate calls through the list of cases

Opening address (optional)

**Prosecution (Crown) case:**

- Evidence-in-chief of victim/first witness
- Cross-examination of first witness
- Re-examination of first witness
- Other prosecution witnesses give evidence-in-chief, are cross-examined and re-examined
- Close of Crown case

**Defence case:**

- Accused may give evidence (but doesn't have to)
- Accused cross-examined by prosecutor (if they choose to give evidence)
- Accused re-examined
- Other defence witnesses give evidence and are cross-examined and re-examined

Crown closing submissions

Defence closing submissions

Magistrate considers decision

Magistrate delivers finding of guilty or not guilty



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