



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE
ON REGIONAL AUSTRALIA**

Chair: Mr Tony Windsor MP

INQUIRY INTO THE USE OF 'FLY-IN, FLY-OUT' WORKFORCE PRACTICES IN REGIONAL AUSTRALIA

**INQUIRY INTO USE OF 'FLY-IN, FLY-OUT' AND 'DRIVE-IN, DRIVE-OUT' WORKFORCE PRACTICES
IN REGIONAL AUSTRALIA**

Port Hedland has its say to FIFO Inquiry

The Regional Australia Committee will be hearing from key stakeholders in the community regarding the impact that FIFO/DIDO workforce practices are having on Port Hedland.

Ms Jan Ford, of Jan Ford Real Estate, will be speaking to the committee regarding recent trends in land and housing prices in Port Hedland as well as the way in which the high cost of housing is making even basic accommodation unaffordable for many local residents.

The Committee will also hear from the Town of Port Hedland and the Shire of East Pilbara regarding the difficulties faced by local governments to adequately address the detrimental effects on the community that result from FIFO workforce practices.

The Chair, Mr Tony Windsor MP, said, 'the Committee is aware of the impact that FIFO/DIDO is having on Port Hedland. We want to hear directly from the people of this town; their voices, their stories.'

The community is welcome to attend the hearing and have their say in a Community Statement session. Please be early to register to speak.

Date: Thursday, 29 March 2012

Venue: Port Hedland Council Chambers, Civic Centre, McGregor St, Port Hedland, WA

Time:	1.00pm	Ms Jan Ford
	1.30pm	Port Hedland High School
	2.15pm	Shire of East Pilbara (Submission 60)
	2.45pm	Town of Port Hedland (Submission 83)
	3.15pm	Community Statement

Webcast: Live on [http://www.aph.gov.au/News and Events/Watch Parliament](http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament) (audio only)

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