

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
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**2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings**

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**Question No:** 187

**Topic:** Promised consultations on the Community Development and Employment Projects (CDEP) program reforms.

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**Senator Siewert** asked:

With regard to the Minister's media release 9<sup>th</sup> December which refers to "ongoing discussions about the way services are delivered are held with local communities to ensure they reflect local needs"

- a. Does this mean that consultation will be held with local communities?
- b. Can you provide a schedule for these consultations indicating which communities will be consulted?

**Answer:**

The Government will continue the ongoing discussions announced by the Minister on 9 December. We expect all providers and CDEP participants will have an opportunity to express their views.