Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2.1 Families and Communities Question No: SQ15-000624

Topic: Community Development Grants Programme

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Senator Siewert, Rachel asked:

\$50 million over three years will be provided to extend the Community Development Grants Programme, introduced as a measure in the Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14.

- Does the assessment process for applications include a mechanism that evaluates community need?
- Does this include an evaluation of relative need across communities, so that those with greatest need receive more resources?

Answer:

The programme referred to is administered by the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Affairs. This question should be referred to that Department.