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COL Matthew Quinn
A/g Director General
Capital Facilities and Infrastructure



Mr Graham Perrett MP

Chair
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Perrett

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT
EDINBURGH DEFENCE PRECINCT MID TERM REFRESH

1. The Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh (the Project) was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works on 3 August 2023. The Project proposes to deliver facilities and infrastructure at:

- a. RAAF Base Edinburgh, South Australia; and
- b. Defence Science and Technology – Edinburgh, South Australia.

2. This letter is to inform the Committee of the nature and extent of community consultation that has been undertaken by the Department of Defence for these proposed works. The aim of the consultation is to ensure local communities and other stakeholders are:

- a. well informed about this Project details through effective and proven communication channels; and
- b. provided the opportunity to raise any concerns or issues, or to seek further information so that, wherever feasible, Defence could address these in its proposed works.

3. The following stakeholder and community consultation activities were delivered in accordance with the Project's comprehensive community engagement strategy:

- a. Advertisement of community information sessions in relevant South Australian local newspapers and establishment of a project email address to receive submissions and questions about the Project. These details are included in the example advertisement shown at **Annex A**,

- b. Two community information sessions were held, one in the City of Playford and one in the City of Salisbury on 26 July 2023 and 27 July 2023, respectively. The type of information Defence presented to the public is shown at **Annex B**, and the level of attendance is provided at **Annex C**; and
- c. Personal briefings to key stakeholders, including Federal, State and Local Members of Government, and local community and business groups to inform them about the Project. An example of the invitation that was sent out is at **Annex D**, and a list of all stakeholders engaged by the Project, including the status of each engagement, is provided at **Annex E**.
- 4. A summary of topics and key issues raised during community information sessions is provided at **Annex F**.
- 5. Information about the proposed works was generally well received at the community information sessions and feedback to date has been supportive. Defence has not been made aware of any objections to the proposed works.
- 6. Comments raised by members of the community focused on:
 - a. Power infrastructure upgrades by the Project and any impacts to surrounding power network and area,
 - b. Project considerations for the City of Salisbury's stormwater catchment area; and
 - c. Opportunities for local industry participation and local employment.
- 7. Consultation activities are continuing, with potential for Defence to provide further briefings to Federal, State and Local Members of Government. These ongoing activities will be further advised at the upcoming Hearing.

Yours sincerely,



MJ Quinn, CSC

Colonel

Acting Director General Capital Facilities and Infrastructure

20 September 2023

Annexes:

- A. Newspaper Advertisements
- B. Community Information Session Resources
- C. Community Information Session Attendance and Summary
- D. Example of Letter of Invitation to Key Stakeholders
- E. Status of Key Stakeholder Communications
- F. Summary of Topics and Key Issues Raised during Community Information Sessions

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT

Location	Publication	Dates Published
Adelaide, South Australia	The Advertiser	Wednesday 19 July 2023 Saturday 22 July 2023 Wednesday 26 July 2023

EXAMPLE OF NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS (The Advertiser, 19 July 2023)



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NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid-Term Refresh Project

The Department of Defence is proposing to progress works associated with Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid-Term Refresh Project. These works are subject to Parliamentary approval.

The Project proposes to replace or upgrade engineering services and associated facilities and infrastructure across the Edinburgh Defence Precinct (RAAF Base Edinburgh and Defence Science and Technology Edinburgh) that are aged and approaching the end of useful life, have capacity and compliance issues, and pose risks to current and future functions.

The Department of Defence is offering the community the opportunity to attend information sessions about proposed works providing an opportunity to ask questions with Defence representatives.

Community Information Session Details

Date: Wednesday 26 July 2023

Time: 3:00PM to 7:00PM

Venue: Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth SA 5112

Date: Thursday 27 July 2023

Time: 3:00PM to 7:00PM

Venue: Salisbury Community Hub, 34 Church Street, Salisbury SA 5108

If you are unable to attend the information session you can email questions to centralwest.pwc@defence.gov.au.

Information on the project, once referred, will be available on the Public Works Committee web page at www.aph.gov.au/parliamentary_business/committees/joint/public_works where public submissions can also be made.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION RESOURCES (INFORMATION BOARDS)



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Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project

Locality Plan

RAAF Base Edinburgh | Defence Science & Technology (DST) Edinburgh



The **Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project** proposes to deliver critical infrastructure works across both RAAF Base Edinburgh and DST Edinburgh.



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Department of Defence

Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project

Proposed scope of works



The proposed option to be delivered will provide a **fit-for-purpose** solution that will address all capacity and compliance issues and risks, and will seek to sustain the two sites to support current and future capability requirements.

This proposed option represents the **best value for money** solution for the Commonwealth to ensure ongoing support to important Defence activities conducted over the two sites.

The project proposes to deliver the following new and upgraded engineering services, including:

- High voltage power network upgrades
- fire water upgrades
- sewer infrastructure upgrades
- storm water infrastructure upgrades
- associated facilities infrastructure to support base operational requirements.



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Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project

Central Emergency Power Stations

Infrastructure example



The proposed new **central emergency power stations** will provide power resilience to Defence across both RAAF Base Edinburgh and DST Edinburgh.



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Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project

Power Intake Switching Stations

Infrastructure example



The proposed new **power intake switching stations** will provide power resilience to Defence across both RAAF Base Edinburgh and DST Edinburgh sites.

The project proposed to re-purpose existing intake switching station buildings into primary switching stations following the construction of the proposed new power intake switching stations.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION RESOURCES (INFORMATION BOARDS)



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Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project

Local Industry & Indigenous Participation



Local Industry Participation.

The Commonwealth's Local Industry Capability Plan requires contractors to create a local capability plan with set targets to maximise local industry participation.

Indigenous Participation.

The Commonwealth's Indigenous Procurement Strategy requires contractors to meet Mandatory Minimum Requirements, setting out participation targets and a plan to engage relevant Indigenous stakeholders within the project's locality.

Proposed schedule.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION RESOURCES (PROJECT HANDOUTS)



Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh

Where can I make a comment or ask questions?

If you have a comment or question today, please feel free to approach the projects representatives at this forum:

Defence Capital Facilities and Infrastructure Branch

- Mrs Joanne Morritt – Project Director
- Will McLeay – Project Manager
- Mr Son Tran – Project Officer
- Mr Stephen So – Assistant Project Officer

Managing Contractor – Hansen Yuncken

- Mr Craig Holm – Senior Project Manager
- Ms Alice Pryor – Assistant Project Manager
- Mr Peter Sfyrios – Senior Services Manager

Defence RAAF Base Edinburgh

- GPCAPT Greg Weller – RAAF Edinburgh
Deputy Senior Australian Defence Force Officer
- Ms Arleen Samiano – Assistant Director Estate
Management and Planning – South Australia
- FLGOFF Jason Enchong – RAAF Edinburgh
Indigenous Liaison Officer

The Community Consultation period will remain open to 04 August 2023. If you have any further comments or questions during this period, please contact the project team at: centralwest.pwc@defence.gov.au

The proposed project is anticipated to be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works in July/August 2023. The public will be able to access further information on the project, and make a submission following referral at the Current Inquiries page:

https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/public_works

Subject to referral, the committee's Inquiry into the project generally involves a public hearing. The location, date, and time of the hearing will be confirmed following referral on the Upcoming Public Hearings page:

https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Upcoming_Public_Hearings



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Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid-Term Refresh Project

Edinburgh Defence Precinct, South Australia




Defence Public Briefing
26 July 2023

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Agenda

- Purpose
- Project Aim and Objective
- Capability Need
- Scope of Works
- Cultural, Heritage and Environment
- Construction Program
- Community and Industry Engagement

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Strategic Objectives

- Defence Strategic Review, released 24 April 2023
- Notes importance of foundational estate and infrastructure

Capability Need

- Remediating infrastructure approaching end of useful life
- Support current and future Defence capabilities






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Project Aim and Objective

- Deliver new and upgraded engineering services, facilities and infrastructure across the Edinburgh Defence Precinct.
- Providing enhanced resilience and redundancy to support Defence strategic objectives.



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Scope of Work

- **Location:**
 - RAAF Base Edinburgh
 - DST Edinburgh
- **Scope:**
 - High voltage power network upgrades
 - Fire water upgrades
 - Sewer infrastructure upgrades
 - Storm water infrastructure upgrades



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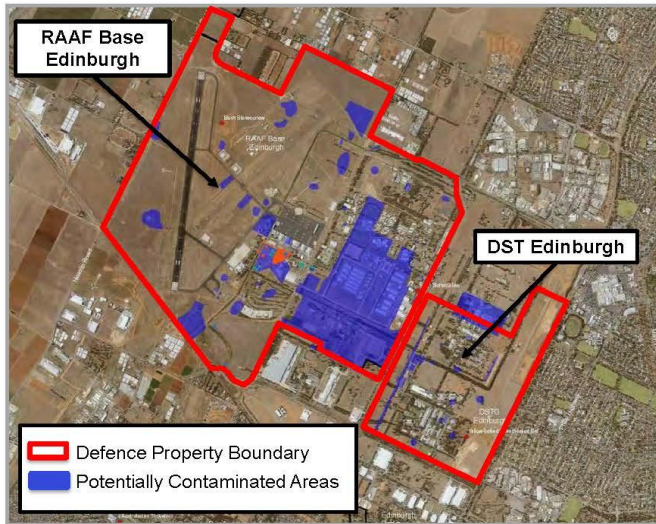
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Cultural, Heritage and Environment



RAAF Base
Edinburgh

DST Edinburgh

Defence Property Boundary
Potentially Contaminated Areas

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Construction Program

- Parliamentary Hearing: September / October 2023
- Construction Commence: Early / Mid-2024
- Construction Complete: Late 2027

Design Development 2023

Construction commences 2024

2025

2026

Construction complete 2027

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Community Consultation and Industry Engagement



Local Industry Participation

The Commonwealth's Local Industry Capability Plan requires contractors to create a local capability plan with set targets to maximise local industry participation



Indigenous Participation

The Commonwealth's Indigenous Procurement Strategy requires contractors to actively engage and involve relevant Indigenous stakeholders within the project's locality

SA Water

CITY OF Salisbury

CITY OF Playford

SA Power Networks

METROPOLITAN FIRE SERVICE SOUTH AUSTRALIA

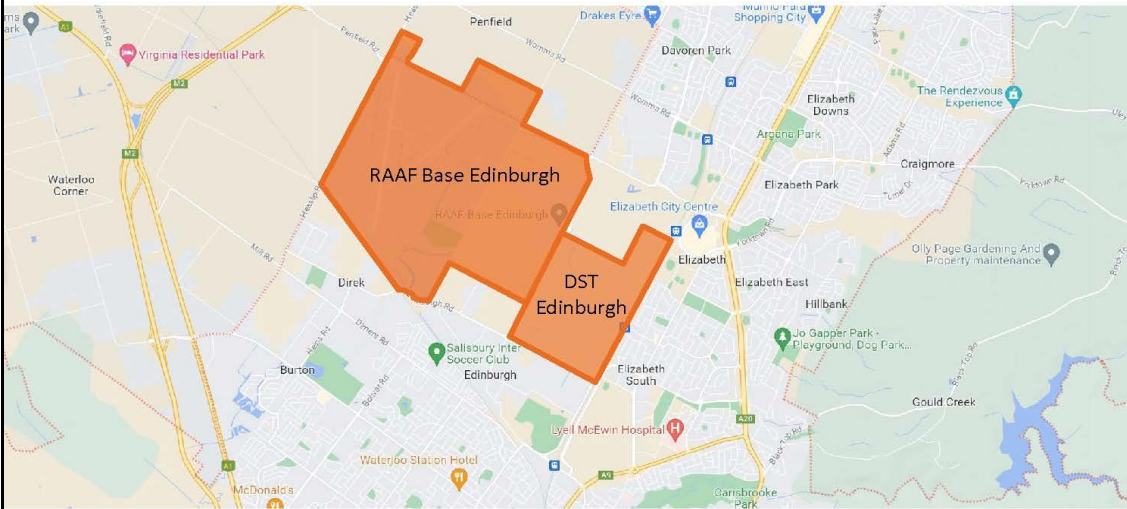
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Project Summary and Questions



The map displays the Edinburgh Defence Precinct, with the RAAF Base Edinburgh and DST Edinburgh highlighted in orange. Surrounding areas include Penfield, Drakes Eyr, Davoren Park, Elizabeth Downs, Argene Park, Elizabeth Park, Elizabeth City Centre, Elizabeth East, Hillbank, Jo Gapper Park, Gould Creek, Carisbrooke Park, Elizabeth South, Lyell McEwin Hospital, Salisbury Inter Soccer Club, Waterloo Station Hotel, McDonald's, Burton, Direk, Womms Rd, and Craigmore. The map also shows various roads, parks, and landmarks.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION ATTENDANCE AND SUMMARY

Details

- **City of Playford.** Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth, South Australia
- 26 July 2023, 3pm to 7pm.

- **City of Salisbury.** Salisbury Community Hub, 34 Church Street, Salisbury, South Australia
- 27 July 2023, 3pm to 7pm.

Resources

- Materials on display included (shown at **Annex B**):
 - Information boards displayed on easels
 - Project handouts made available for attendees
 - Presentation slides displayed on a monitor.

- Defence consultation team in attendance included members from:
 - Defence's Project Delivery Team
 - Consultant Project Management Team
 - Managing Contractor's Team
 - Indigenous Liaison Officer
 - Estate Management Planning
 - Operations Management.

Attendance

City of Playford (26 July 2023)	
Number of attendees	Interest Group
1	Local Government
1	Base Personnel
City of Salisbury (27 July 2023)	
Number of attendees	Interest Group
1	Local Resident
1	Local Business
Total:	4

Key points

- Key points raised by attendees included:
 - Power infrastructure upgrades by the proposed Project and any impacts to surrounding power network and area
 - Project considerations of the City of Salisbury's stormwater catchment area
 - Opportunities for local industry participation and employment opportunities the proposed Project may generate.

EXAMPLE LETTER FOR INVITATION FOR PERSONAL BRIEFING



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Mrs Jo Morritt
Project Director – Central West
Capital Facilities and Infrastructure
Brindabella Business Park
PO Box 7925
CANBERRA BC ACT 2610

Mrs Gillian Aldridge OAM

Mayor, City of Salisbury
34 Church Street
Salisbury SA, 5108

Email: galdridge@salisbury.sa.gov.au

Dear Mayor,

PROPOSED EDINBURGH DEFENCE PRECINCT MID TERM REFRESH

On behalf of the Department of Defence, I would like to offer you a personal briefing on the proposed works at RAAF Base Edinburgh and Defence Science and Technology Edinburgh under the Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid Term Refresh Project. The aim of the Project is to provide fit-for-purpose facilities and infrastructure across the Edinburgh Defence Precinct. The proposed works include replacing or upgrading engineering services and associated facilities and infrastructure that are aged and approaching the end of useful life, have capacity and compliance issues, and pose risks to current and future functions.

The Department of Defence anticipates this major infrastructure project will generate employment opportunities during construction and potential additional employment opportunities in related support sectors in the local area.

These works are subject to Parliamentary Approval, the Department of Defence is seeking referral of the Project to the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration in early August 2023. If approved, the works will be delivered within Defence managed land and easements over the public road between the two sites granted to Defence. I anticipate the proposed works will commence in early 2024.

For your information, the Department of Defence will be holding community information sessions on the proposed works in both Elizabeth and Salisbury. Your constituents may be interested in attending one of these sessions which will be held at:

When: 26 July 2023
Time: 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm (ACST)
Where: Playford Civic Centre,
10 Playford Blvd, Elizabeth

When: 27 July 2023
Time: 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm (ACST)
Where: Salisbury Community Hub,
34 Church St, Salisbury

If you or your staff would like to accept or decline this invitation for a personal briefing on the proposed works, please contact me via email at centralwest.pwc@defence.gov.au.
Yours faithfully

Jo Morritt
Project Director Central West
18 July 2023

STATUS OF KEY STAKEHOLDER COMMUNICATIONS

ORGANISATION AND MEMBER	NOTES
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	
<p>Mr Matt Burnell MP Federal Member for Spence</p>	<p>18 July 2023: Defence emailed a letter to Mr Burnell providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>19 July 2023. Mr Burnell’s office accepted the offer for a personal briefing.</p> <p>21 July 2023. Defence briefed Mr Burnell at his electoral office in Salisbury, South Australia; Mr Burnell raised the following queries:</p> <p>Power. Will the additional power demand have any effect of the surrounding power network?</p> <p>Defence Response. Defence noted that the connection of new customers is a major ongoing aspect of field work by the team at SA Power Networks.</p> <p>In planning to connect new customers to the electricity network, SA Power Networks conducts rigorous engineering studies to determine how best to connect them.</p> <p>A core principle of SA Power Networks is to ensure connection of any potential customer to the network does not affect the reliability and quality of supply for existing customers, an approach that has stood the test of time.</p> <p>Employment Opportunity. What is the Project’s definition of ‘local’, is it between 50 and 100 kilometres? I have concerns this radius covers most of metro Adelaide and I would like to see employment opportunities for the electorate of Spence, where appropriate for this Project.</p> <p>Defence Response. The Project Contractor Defence has engaged has a strong history of working within the Northern Suburbs of Adelaide. The Contractor is required to prepare a Local Industry Capability Plan, this plan will detail the local industry targets and will appropriately consider the constituents of Spence.</p>
<p>Mr Tony Zappia MP Federal Member for Makin</p>	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mr Zappia providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>10 August 2023. Defence followed up via an email to Mr Zappia.</p> <p>A response has not been received to date.</p>

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STATE/TERRITORY GOVERNMENT	
Mr Peter Malinauskas MP Premier of South Australia	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mr Malinauskas's office providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>24 July 2023: Mr Malinauskas declined the offer for a personal briefing.</p>
Mr Lee Odenwalder MP State Member for Elizabeth	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mr Odenwalder's office providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>10 August 2023. Defence followed up via an email to Mr Odenwalder's office.</p> <p>A response has not been received to date.</p>
Mr Nick Champion MP State Member for Taylor	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mr Champion providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>10 August 2023. Defence followed up via an email to Mr Champion.</p> <p>11 August 2023. Mr Champon declined the offer for a personal briefing.</p>
Mrs Zoe Bettison MP State Member for Ramsay	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mrs Bettison providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>10 August 2023. Defence followed up via an email to Mrs Bettison.</p> <p>15 August 2023. Mrs Bettinson's office requested a personal briefing, which is currently scheduled for 29 September 2023.</p>
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	
Mrs Gillian Aldridge OAM Mayor, City of Salisbury	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mrs Aldridge providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>21 July 2023. Mrs Aldridge's office accepted the offer for a personal briefing.</p> <p>27 July 2023. Defence briefed Mrs Aldridge and the Senior Leadership Team, a total of 18 attendees from the City of Salisbury. The Senior Leadership Team raised the following queries:</p> <p>Power. Can you please clarify if the current scope for the</p>

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	<p>Project was solely related to power and energy generation?</p> <p>Defence Response. The proposed Project will deliver infrastructure upgrades across multiple elements to improve safety and compliance, for example stormwater, potable and firefighting networks. In addition, the proposed Project will deliver a significant upgrade the current power supply across the Precinct.</p> <p>Is the Project related to or has it considered other non-Defence power infrastructure projects or projects needing power, and if these can be coordinated with the Project?</p> <p>Defence Response. This proposed Project is not related to any non-Defence infrastructure power upgrade initiatives. Any state related projects may undertake their own separate public community consultation session, where required.</p> <p>Connection for new projects to the network, is provided by the relative SA Power Networks. A core principle of SA Power Networks is to ensure connection of any potential customer to the network does not affect the reliability and quality of supply for existing customers, an approach that has stood the test of time.</p> <p>Stormwater. Has the City of Salisbury’s catchment area been considered in the Project’s stormwater design?</p> <p>Defence Response. Yes, the Project has conducted flood and urban drainage modelling (TUFLOW) through a civil sub-consultant, Tonkins Consulting, to encapsulate the Project’s surrounding catchment area.</p> <p>Employment Opportunity. There is a higher unemployment rate within the City of Salisbury, is the Project considering employment targets for people under the age of 25, and will this include opportunities for traineeships, youth and apprenticeships?</p> <p>Defence Response. The Project Contractor Defence has engaged has a strong history of working within the Northern Suburbs of Adelaide. The Contractor is required to prepare a Local Industry Capability Plan, this plan will detail the local industry targets and will appropriately consider trade and employment opportunities across the region.</p> <p>In addition, the Project will attempt to exceed their Indigenous participations minimum mandatory requirements of 4% of cost and hours.</p> <p>Community Consultation. Is the aim of the personal briefings and community information session for information sharing or for information gathering; and will the queries raised during the session will be raised and considered for PWC under the Project?</p> <p>Defence Response The purpose of the Community Consultation,</p>

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	<p>including both the personal briefings and information sessions allows Defence to share information about the proposed Project and to identify any key issues or concerns. The Project records all feedback gathered during the community consultation period, which is included in the Community Consultation Report for PWC.</p> <p>Stormwater and Personnel growth on base. Can you provide information on Defence’s future planning and growth of personnel on RAAF Base Edinburgh and any impacts on the stormwater catchment area and other related areas?</p> <p>Defence Response. This Project is not in a position to provide any information on Defence’s future base planning. However, we can provide the appropriate contact details for Defence’s Estate Planning Branch. For Project-related queries, the Project can be contacted through the Project email centralwest.pwc@defence.gov.au, and the PWC website once referred.</p> <p>10 August 2023. Defence provided Acting Assistant Secretary Estate Planning, Mr Charles Mangion’s contact details to Mrs Belinda Hanlan, Executive Assistant to the Mayor.</p> <p>16 August 2023. The City of Salisbury advised a letter will be compiled by the Mayor which will raise key points drawn from the personal briefing provided by the Project.</p> <p>29 August 2023. The City of Salisbury issued a letter to Mr Matt Burnell MP, Federal Member for Spence via email. A copy of the letter was sent to the Project.</p>
<p>Mr Glenn Docherty Mayor, City of Playford</p>	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mr Docherty providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>19 July 2023. Mr Docherty’s office confirmed Mr Docherty has elected to attend the Community Information Session being held in the City of Playford on 26 July 2023.</p> <p>26 July 2023. Mr Docherty attended the Community Information Session, key issues raised by Mr Docherty during the Community Information Sessions are summarised at Annex F.</p>
COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS GROUP	
<p>Mr Richard Price CEO of DefenceSA</p>	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to DefenceSA providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>19 July 2023. DefenceSA’s office noted Mr Price was unable to accept the invitation for a personal briefing. However, confirmed that a representative would attend the Community Information</p>

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	<p>Session in the City of Salisbury.</p> <p>27 July 2023. Representative of DefenceSA attended the Community Information Session, key issues raised by the DefenceSA representative during the Community Information Sessions are summarised at Annex F.</p>
<p>Mr Tim Agius Chairperson of Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation (Kaurna People)</p>	<p>18 July 2023. Defence emailed a letter to Mr Jenkins, enquiries and engagement contact, providing project information, contact details, community information session details and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>25 July 2023. Defence followed up via an email to Mr Agius.</p> <p>1 August 2023. On behalf of Mr Agius, Mr Jenkins accepted the offer for a personal briefing.</p> <p>7 August 2023. Defence briefed Mr Agius and Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation (KYAC) directors in Adelaide. The KYAC directors raised the following queries:</p> <p>Consultation for Heritage Management Plan. Did the heritage consultant, GML Heritage engage Aboriginal people in the formulation of the Heritage Management Plan? Further consultation to finalise the plan will be required.</p> <p>Defence Response. GML Heritage consulted with local experts on the areas of significance and advised the Heritage Management Plan is currently still in draft status. Ongoing consultation will be required relating to heritage monitoring activities, Defence will seek to meet with KYAC to further refine the Heritage Management Plan.</p> <p>Indigenous heritage discovery process. Can Defence clarify the process of repatriation of Indigenous heritage discoveries?</p> <p>Defence Response. The Project is required to follow the recommendations of the Heritage Management Plan, which details the process for repatriation of Indigenous heritage discoveries, this will be undertaken prior to commencement of construction on site.</p>

SUMMARY OF TOPICS AND KEY ISSUES RAISED DURING COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS

TOPIC	RAISED BY	DEFENCE RESPONSE
Local Procurement Opportunities What local procurement opportunities?	Mr Glenn Docherty, Mayor, City of Playford	The Project Contractor is develop a Local Industry Capability Plan, which will set targets for the Project. The Contractor is seeking to procure labour and materials where available locally within the region, or within Australia. Materials that are not available within Australia will be procured from overseas. Due to the specific nature of some of aspects of the Project, materials such as high voltage cable and generators may need to be procured internationally.
Workforce Size What is the anticipated workforce for the Project?	Mr Glenn Docherty, Mayor, City of Playford	During construction, the Project’s peak workforce will be approximately 100 personnel. Due to the linear nature of delivery, the workforce is likely to remain around 90 – 100 personnel for the majority of the Project duration.
Project Value What is the Project Value?	Mr Glenn Docherty, Mayor, City of Playford	The total Project Value is \$311.5 million including \$28 million of Contingency.
Power I’ve been asked by industry whether the Power upgrade will support the surrounding areas, beyond the Defence boundary.	DefenceSA Representative	The Project is upgrading power within the Base precincts only, to strengthen the power infrastructure to support Defence strategic objectives out to 2040. The works under the proposed Project will not have an effect on power supply to the surrounding area. The Project will not strengthen power networks outside of Defence estate and similarly, will not adversely impact or draw from the surrounding area’s power supply.
Other Project Noting recent notices for demolition of houses within vicinity of Macdonald Park, north of RAAF Base Edinburgh, is this Project related to the expansion of RAAF Base Edinburgh, and did the State or Commonwealth Government buy the land?	Local Resident	There is no current Defence project expanding RAAF Base Edinburgh; the acquisition of the land adjacent the northern Base boundary relates to an initiative by the State Government not Defence.
Parliamentary Approval Is the Public Works Committee information and approval process a formality only?	Local Resident	The objective of Public Works Committee is to consider the proposed Project. The Committee look at the stated purpose and suitability of the proposed work, the need for the work and cost effectiveness of the proposed project. The Community Consultation Sessions allow

Annex F

TOPIC	RAISED BY	DEFENCE RESPONSE
		<p>Defence Projects to provide residents of the local area information on the proposed works; it provides an open forum for the public to raise any issues or concerns that may be had that are related to the proposed Project.</p> <p>Defence records all feedback provided during the Project's community consultation period, which will be included in the Project's Community Consultation Report that is provided to the Public Works Committee for review and consideration. Queries that are outside of the proposed Project's scope of works will be referred to relevant person within Defence Security and Estate Group, who may be able to assist.</p> <p>The Project has achieved Departmental Approval and has commenced the journey to Parliamentary approval. We are anticipating being referred to the Public Works Committee in early August, and anticipate a Public Hearing in September or October this year.</p>