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## **Public Works Committee to hold public hearing for development and construction of housing for Defence at RAAF Base Darwin, NT**

The Public Works Committee is holding a public hearing on Monday in Darwin, for its inquiry into the development and construction of housing for Defence at RAAF Base Darwin, NT.

The Department of Defence and Defence Housing Australia propose to provide 80 tropical dwellings in a new on-base housing precinct, to meet the housing entitlements of junior Defence members. The project will also address current substandard infrastructure.

The estimated cost of the project is \$53.36 million. The civil construction contract is expected to begin in October 2014, with the dwelling construction contract to commence in July 2015. The dwellings are expected to be completed by November 2016.

For further details on the proposal, visit the Committee's website: [www.aph.gov.au/pwc](http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc)

**Hearing Venue:** Room 2A.1.01, Blue Precinct  
Charles Darwin University  
**Date:** Monday, 18 August 2014  
**Time:** 11.00am – 12.00pm

Members of the public are welcome to attend the hearing.

**NB** the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to Defence Housing Australia or the Department of Defence.

**For interview:** Contact the Chair's office on (07) 5580 9111.

**For further information,** including how to make a submission, the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website <http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.