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Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

New inquiry

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NDIA head office fit out under scrutiny

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works today announced that it is conducting an inquiry into the proposed fit out of the head office of the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) in Geelong, Victoria.

The NDIA was established as the agency responsible for administering the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), which itself was established as a new way of providing support for Australians with disability, their families and carers. It currently leases office space at multiple locations across Geelong, and the NDIA and DHS propose to undertake fitout works at 13-19 Malop Street, Geelong in order to consolidate their existing leases and to better meet their organisational objectives.

The fit-out of the new accommodation is anticipated to begin in April 2017, and is expected to be completed by October 2018. The proposed works are estimated to cost approximately \$27 million.

It is anticipated that the Committee will conduct public and in-camera hearings for the inquiry early in 2017. Further information on the public hearing will be available soon.

Full details on the project are available on the Committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/pwc

The Committee would like to hear from all individuals or organisations interested in the inquiry.

Submissions to the inquiry close on 19 January 2017.

NB the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to the Department of Human Services or the NDIA.

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