

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Inquiry into the National Broadband Network

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Chair: Sharon Bird MP Deputy Chair: Paul Neville MP

NBN inquiry to visit Adelaide and Victor Harbor

The House of Representatives Infrastructure and Communications Committee is conducting an inquiry into the *role and potential* of the **National Broadband Network (NBN)**. The Committee will conduct public hearings in **Adelaide** on Monday 4 April and **Victor Harbor** on Tuesday 5 April.

"Victor Harbor was one of the sites targeted through the Government's *Regional Backbone Blackspots Program*, and its 146km fibre backbone link was recently completed", Committee Chair Sharon Bird (Member for Cunningham) said today.

"In addition, nearby Willunga is one of the first NBN rollout sites on the mainland, while Modbury and Prospect in Adelaide are second release sites, so it will be interesting to hear from locals about the likely impact of this new fibre infrastructure" she added.

MONDAY 4 APRIL – ADELAIDE (DAVID SPENCE ROOM, ADELAIDE TOWN HALL)	
11:00 am	Internode
11:45 am	Rising Sun Pictures
1:30 pm	City of Tea Tree Gully
2:15 pm	Coutts Communications
3:15 pm	South Australian Government
4:00 pm	City of Prospect
TUESD	AY 5 APRIL – VICTOR HARBOR (COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VICTOR HARBOR CIVIC CENTRE)
10:00 am	City of Victor Harbor
10:40 am	Victor Harbor Business Association
11:35am	Southern Adelaide Economic Development Board
1:10pm	McLaren Vale Grape, Wine and Tourism Association
1:50pm	Willunga Business and Tourism Association

The hearing programs are as follows:

This hearing will be webcast live (audio only) on: http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/

The Committee has received over 210 written submissions to date. Further details about the inquiry, including copies of submissions and transcripts of previous hearings, can be obtained from the Committee's website.

For media comment: please contact the Committee Chair, Ms Sharon Bird, on (02) 6277 4717 (Parliament House) or (02) 4228 5899 (electorate office)

For details about the inquiry and hearing arrangements: contact the Inquiry Secretary (02) 6277 2352, email <u>ic.reps@aph.gov.au</u> or visit the Committee's website at <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/ic</u>