



Public Works Committee to examine Defence Housing at Gordon Olive Estate, Brisbane

The Public Works Committee is conducting an inquiry into the proposed construction of Defence Housing at Gordon Olive Estate at McDowall, Brisbane, Queensland.

The \$27.2 million project would provide fifty-one new dwellings for members of the Australian Defence Force serving in the Brisbane area and their families. The proposed housing would particularly serve the accommodation needs of members serving at Gallipoli Barracks, Enoggera, Brisbane.

The Public Works Committee is responsible for ensuring that the need, cost and scope proposed is appropriate.

The Committee is keen to hear a wide range of views on the proposed development and public submissions on the proposal are welcomed.

“This project proposes housing for members of the Defence Force and their families, and the Committee is keen to ensure the estate is designed to suit the Brisbane climate,” said Senator McLucas. “The project is situated in Brisbane’s *Mountains to Mangrove Corridor*, and near the McDowall Primary School, and the Committee encourages all interested members of the community to contribute to the inquiry.”

Full details on the proposal and details of the public hearing will soon be available on the Committee’s website. Submissions close on 25 September 2009.

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 the Department Finance and Deregulation.

For interview: Contact the office of the Committee Chair, Senator the Hon Jan McLucas on (07) 4031 6009 or the Chair’s media advisor, Derek Tipper on 0434 663 757.

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.