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## The need for the work

- 3.1 In evidence to the Committee, the Department of Defence (DoD) advised that in 1990 the site of the proposed works was declared surplus to DoD requirements.<sup>1</sup>
- 3.2 DoD advised the Committee that as the site is vacant and surplus to requirements it intends to sell the site. To optimise the revenue return from the future sale of the site, DoD advised that it proposes undertaking a range of site preparation works which will reduce uncertainties perceived by prospective purchasers and increase the range of sale options.<sup>2</sup>
- 3.3 Based on evidence presented as part of the Inquiry process, particularly given the potential to maximise the revenue return to the Commonwealth from a future sale of a site surplus to DoD requirements, the Committee is of the opinion that there is an identified need for the proposed works.

<sup>1</sup> Evidence, p. 7.

<sup>2</sup> Evidence, p. 5.