



Public hearing scheduled for proposed Defence housing upgrades planned for the Northern Territory

Representatives of Defence Housing Australia (DHA) and the Department of Defence will appear before the Public Works Committee on Friday, 2 November 2012 for the inquiries into the proposed upgrades of on-base housing at Larrakeyah Barracks, Darwin, and RAAF Base Tindal, near Katherine, NT.

The upgrades will ensure that the housing meets the Defence minimum standard.

The proposed works to Larrakeyah Barracks in Darwin will refurbish 48 run-down dwellings in order to provide modern, up-to-date housing. The works will take place between February 2013 and April 2015 with an estimated cost of \$25 million for the project.

The proposed works at RAAF Base Tindal, near Katherine, will upgrade 131 on-base houses to the Defence minimum standard. The project is scheduled for March 2013 to February 2015, with an estimated cost of \$57 million.

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

Hearing Venue: Committee Room 1R4
Date: Friday, 2 November 2012
Time: 9.30am to 10.15am

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

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.

For interview: Contact the Chair's media advisor, Lee Duncan on 0448 158 150.

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.