

PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works



## Inquiry into proposed development and construction of housing for Defence at RAAF Base Tindal, Northern Territory

The Public Works Committee is conducting an inquiry into the development and construction of housing for Defence at RAAF Base Tindal, Northern Territory.

Defence Housing Australia (DHA) proposes to construct 50 new tropically designed dwellings and associated supporting roads and infrastructure for use by Defence personnel and their families. The dwellings will be constructed on RAAF Base Tindal, 18 kilometres from Katherine. Housing is in short supply in Katherine and Tindal, and the construction of new housing is intended to meet Defence standards for housing of personnel.

Works are expected to commence in August 2014, with the project complete by June 2016. The estimated cost of the project is \$89.4 million.

The Committee's Chair, Karen Andrews MP, said the Committee will conduct public and incamera hearings for the inquiry in the Northern Territory on 31 January 2014.

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

## Submissions to the inquiry close on Friday, 24 January 2014.

Full details of the public hearing will be announced soon.

**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 office on (07) 5580 9111.

**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 <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc</u> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.