

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
30, 31 MAY and 3 JUNE 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased Workforce Participation

Output Group 3.1: Working Age Policy

Outputs 3.1.1: Working Age Policy and Legislation

Question Number: W111-06

Question:

Senator Carr provided in writing:

The Compact states (p. 3) that "the Aboriginal Community Facilitation Group (ACFG) will evolve into a longer term community involvement and decision making structure". What is meant by "community involvement and decision making structure"?

Answer:

The ACFG was designed to be the initial body for the establishment of the Shepparton COAG Trial. Members of the ACFG were drawn from Aboriginal Organisations and the general Aboriginal Community when several community consultations were held with the Community in September/October 2002. The ACFG is a body set up to consult with the Aboriginal community about COAG initiatives. This consultation occurs through, for example, community meetings and discussions.