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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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**Senator: Abetz**

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**Question:**

**Senator FIFIELD: Thank you. Regarding location choice, I assume it is the Prime Minister's call as to where and when they happen.**

**Senator Chris Evans: I think so, Senator. We move around the states and we move around regions inside the states, giving a spread. I am not sure there is anything?**

**Senator ABETZ: The question is: whose call is it?**

**Senator FIFIELD: That is right. I assume it is the Prime Minister's. I would be surprised if it were anything else.**

**Senator Chris Evans: I presume it is made inside?**

**Mr Lewis: It is a matter for government. I am sorry I cannot answer.**

**Senator ABETZ: Yes, but the minister can. I accept that PMandC cannot.**

**Senator Chris Evans: I was trying to be helpful. To be absolutely correct, I will take it on notice.**

**Senator ABETZ: You just go along and go where you are told to go.**

**Senator Chris Evans: It is in my diary and I turn up. I will take it formally on notice. But it is fair to assume the Prime Minister gets the final call. If that is not right, I will come back to you.**

**Senator FIFIELD: Thank you.**

**Answer:**

The Prime Minister selects the location of Community Cabinet meetings.

Community Cabinet meetings have been held at 28 locations since the 2007 election. These are documented in the below table.

<b>MEETING</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>MEETING DATE</b>
1	<b>CANNING VALE</b>	20-Jan-08
2	<b>NARANGBA</b>	02-Mar-08
3	<b>PENRITH</b>	15-Apr-08
4	<b>MACKAY</b>	29-Jun-08
5	<b>YIRRKALA</b>	26-Jul-08
6	<b>HALLETT COVE</b>	14-Aug-08
7	<b>NEWCASTLE</b>	29-Sep-08
8	<b>LAUNCESTON</b>	05-Nov-08
9	<b>CORIO</b>	07-Dec-08
10	<b>CAMPBELLTOWN</b>	17-Feb-09
11	<b>BALLAJURA</b>	22-Apr-09
12	<b>EMERALD</b>	19-May-09
13	<b>BEENLEIGH</b>	30-Jun-09
14	<b>ELIZABETH</b>	28-Jul-09
15	<b>PORT MACQUARIE</b>	25-Aug-09
16	<b>GERALDTON</b>	01-Oct-09
17	<b>HOBART</b>	13-Oct-09
18	<b>BATHURST</b>	09-Nov-09
19	<b>TOWNSVILLE</b>	08-Dec-09
20	<b>ADELAIDE</b>	20-Jan-10
21	<b>BALLARAT</b>	18-Feb-10
22	<b>EPPING</b>	15-Apr-10
23	<b>BURNIE</b>	19-May-10
24	<b>PERTH</b>	09-Jun-10
25	<b>REDCLIFFE PENINSULA</b>	02-Dec-10
26	<b>FREMANTLE</b>	30-Mar-11
27	<b>MODBURY HEIGHTS</b>	19-May-11
28	<b>PALMERSTON</b>	29-Jun-11