

Fit-out of new leased premises for the Department of Finance, Australian Capital Territory

- 2.1 The Department of Finance (Finance) seeks approval from the Committee to proceed with a fit-out of a new building which has been constructed at One Canberra Avenue, Forrest, Australian Capital Territory, to provide consolidated office accommodation.
- 2.2 The estimated cost of the project is \$32.066 million, excluding GST.

Conduct of the inquiry

- 2.3 The project was referred to the Committee on 3 December 2014.
- 2.4 Following referral, the inquiry was publicised on the Committee's website and via media release.
- 2.5 The Committee received one submission and one supplementary submission from Finance. A list of submissions can be found at Appendix A. Following the hearing the Committee also received correspondence from Finance responding to questions on notice and providing further clarification on the cost benefit analysis.
- 2.6 The Committee conducted an inspection, public hearing and in-camera hearing on the project on 13 February 2015 in Canberra. A transcript of the public hearing and the public submissions to the inquiry are available on the Committee's website.¹

Committee comments

- 2.7 The Committee has suspended consideration of this project, pending an additional public and in-camera hearing with Finance.

1 <www.aph.gov.au/pwc>.

