

Public hearings on Defence projects

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works will hold public hearings in Canberra tomorrow to examine three proposed Defence projects:

- The replacement of services and infrastructure at Russell Offices Buildings 5 and 6 in Canberra, currently occupied by the Australian Signals Directorate. The estimated cost of the project is \$75.4 million (excluding GST).
- Construction of storage and movement space for the Army's new LAND 155 enhanced gap crossing capabilities, located at Wallangarra, Lavarack Barracks, Robertson Barracks and the Liverpool Military Area. The estimated cost of the project is \$23.4 million (excluding GST).
- Construction of new facilities for the HMAS Moreton naval base in Brisbane. The estimated cost of the project is \$15.6 million (excluding GST).

NB the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to the Department of Defence.

Public hearing details: Friday 5 May 2017, Committee Room 1S4, Parliament House, Canberra

9.30am – 10.30am: Department of Defence (Russell Offices)
12.00pm – 1.00pm: Department of Defence (LAND 155)
2.30pm – 3.30pm: Department of Defence (HMAS Moreton)

3:30pm: Close

The hearing will be broadcast live at aph.gov.au/live

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