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## Repair and upgrade work to be carried out at HMAS Stirling, Western Australia



Sailors from HMAS Stirling's Port Services Department release berthing lines as HMAS Perth leaves the wharf Source: Royal Australian Navy

The Public Works Committee is conducting a public hearing into proposed redevelopment works at HMAS *Stirling* in Western Australia.

Accommodating a working population of approximately 3600, HMAS *Stirling* provides support to Australian, and occasionally allied, naval vessels. This includes command, administration, training, live-in-accommodation, ship replenishment, repair, maintenance and logistics.

In order to continue providing operational support, several areas with ageing infrastructure require upgrade, repair or replacement. This includes the existing road network, combined potable and fire-fighting water supplies, electrical power supply and distribution system, base sewerage and waste water systems and current data and communications infrastructure.

Where possible, the Department of Defence proposes to repair or upgrade existing facilities, replacing facilities only where needed.

The project is expected to cost \$366.8 million (excluding GST). Full details on the project are available on the committee's website: <a href="http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc">www.aph.gov.au/pwc</a>

Public Hearing Venue: Quest Apartment Hotel, Rockingham, Western Australia Date: Thursday, 8 October 2015 Time: 1.30 – 2.30 pm

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

**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 the Department of Defence.

For interview: Contact the Office of the Chair, Senator Dean Smith, on (08) 9481 0349.

**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.