

Conclusions and Final Recommendation

- 4.1 In previous Reports the Committee has questioned DHA on the need for constructing on-base dwellings for Defence personnel. In the specific case of RMC Duntroon, the Committee took into account its long history and role as a recognised unique training centre for Australian Army officers as well as those from other countries.
- 4.2 The Committee was convinced by DHA's argument that other Defence Bases were not comparable with RMC Duntroon and agrees with the continuing construction of on-base accommodation, particularly as that appears to be the wish of many of RMC Duntroon staff and their families.
- 4.3 The Committee maintains its concern about a Government Business Enterprise, such as DHA, continuing to build on-base housing in the full knowledge that they could not be sold on the open market to offset future developments. However, the Committee appreciates the unique case of RMC Duntroon.

Recommendation 5

- 4.4 **The Committee recommends the redevelopment of residential areas at the Royal Military College, Duntroon, Australian Capital Territory, proceed at the cost of \$23 million.**