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Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

Chair: Ms Janelle Saffin MP

Public hearing for proposed upgrade of RAAF Base East Sale

The public hearing for the inquiry into the proposed redevelopment of the Royal Australian Air Force Base East Sale will be held on Tuesday 31 January in Sale, Victoria.

The Public Works Committee is inquiring into the Department of Defence's proposal to redevelop the primary officer training base of the RAAF in East Sale. The Department of Defence seeks approval from the Committee to proceed with redeveloping the base, at an anticipated cost of approximately \$186 million. The project aims to improve the functionality and capability of the base.

Full details of the proposed redevelopment are available on the Committee's website:
www.aph.gov.au/pwc

Hearing Venue - **Wellington Shire Council, 70 Foster St, Sale, Victoria**

Date - **Tuesday 31 January 2012**

Time - **12:30pm-2:00pm**

Witnesses will include the Department of Defence, Mr Darren Chester MP, Wellington Shire Council and the Committee for Wellington.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the hearing.

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 Chair's media advisor, Lee Duncan on 0448 158 150.

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 <http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.