



Villawood building works to be scrutinised

The Public Works Committee is conducting an inquiry into the proposed redevelopment of the Villawood Immigration Detention Centre.

The \$186 million redevelopment proposes to update and extend existing accommodation facilities and construct new dining, kitchen, medical, education, recreation and reception facilities.

The Public Works Committee is responsible for ensuring that the need, cost and scope proposed is appropriate.

The Committee will be holding a public hearing and community statement session on the proposal on **Tuesday, 22 September 2009**. Those interested in speaking at the community statement session should contact the Committee's secretariat on 02 6277 4636.

Details of the hearing are:

Lansdowne Room
Bankstown Town Hall
Cnr Rickard and Chapel Roads
Bankstown NSW

Witness details

1.30pm – Department of Finance and Deregulation and the Department of Immigration and Citizenship

2.30pm – Community Statement Session

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 Finance and Deregulation.

For interview: Contact the Chair's media advisor, Derek Tipper on 0434 663 757.

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 0434 567 521.