

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2015-16 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programmes Question No: SQ15-000933

Topic: Grants - Nous Report

Hansard page: 10

Senator Rachel Siewert asked:

How did the Department select the consultant who conducted the review of the 2014 grants process?

Answer:

Based on Nous Groups knowledge and understanding of the social services sector and significant expertise and experience in project management enabling rapid on-boarding and delivery, DSS made an evaluation of value for money and approached Nous Group directly to provide a quote under the Deed of Standing Offer for Consultancy and Business Services.

Consistent with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules, DSS used a multi-agency accessible panel for this procurement.