

**EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

**Outcome**            **8**

**DEEWR Question No. EW589\_09**

Senator Boyce asked on 2 June 2008, EEWHR Hansard page 106.

**Question**

What sort of contact has DEEWR had with other departments in relation to the Social Inclusion Agenda?

**Answer**

PM&C have the primary role in coordinating whole of Government responses to the Government's Social Inclusion Agenda.

DEEWR is currently working with other departments in delivering a whole-of-government response to the development of the social inclusion agenda. DEEWR is currently represented on a number of interdepartmental committees, providing input and advice.

For example, DEEWR has contributed to the development of the Homelessness White Paper and the work that FaHCSIA is leading in relation to the development of a National Compact with the not-for-profit sector.

DEEWR also consults other departments on internal policy developments in relation to the Social Inclusion agenda, and provides opportunity for comment.