

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 1

DEEWR Question No. EW691_09

Senator Fisher asked on 4 June 2008, DEWR Hansard page 106.

Question

260 Additional Early Learning and Care Centres

In respect of each of the new child care services sites confirm whether relevant development applications have either been sought and if sought, whether they have been granted.

Answer

Development applications have not been sought for the construction of the additional Early Learning and Care Centres in any of the 38 priority locations.

The Early Learning and Care Centres are being established as a key part of the Australian Government's Early Childhood Reform Agenda in partnership with the states and territories. In the first instance, the states and territories have been asked to identify suitable sites and invited to undertake the construction and provider selection process, within the parameters set by the Australian Government.