

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome 1

DEEWR Question No. EW703_10

Senator Payne asked on 22 October 2009, EEWR Hansard page 24.

Question

Additional Early Learning and Care Centres

Have the proposals to establish the three sites in WA been called for? If not, when will this occur?

Answer

The Western Australian Department of Education and Training (WA DET) is responsible for managing the processes to award the construction and operation of the four Western Australian Early Learning and Care Centres in Darch, Karratha, Mirrabooka and Port Hedland.

To date, WA DET has undertaken processes for the construction and operation of the Karratha centre.

Further details relating to the timeframe for the WA DET processes for the construction and operation of the remaining centres will be published on the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations website as they become available from WA DET.