

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

DEEWR Question No. EW0558_12

Senator Fierravanti-Wells provided in writing.

Question

CCGT funding commitment

Why after a delay of some 14 months has the funding commitment made by Minister Albanese and Craig Thomson of \$2.7 million to the Central Coast Group Training Centre (CCGT) not been honoured by the Gillard Government.

Answer

During the 2010 election campaign, the Australian Labor Party made a number of local commitments for small scale infrastructure projects to be funded through the *Community Infrastructure Grants* measure. The election commitment for the Youth Skills and Employment Centre in Wyong was made on 20 July 2010.

Total funding for the Community Infrastructure Grants – Youth Commitments of \$7.8 million was announced in the Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2010-11.

To receive funding under the program, proponents were required to provide a comprehensive application. The application required budgets, timelines, governance arrangement and risk management plans.

Applications were requested from proponents on 8 July 2011 and the application round closed on 22 August 2011. The applications are currently being assessed by DEEWR.