



THE HON. DR MIKE KELLY MP Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER NEW FACILITIES AT RAAF EDINBURGH

The Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support, the Hon. Dr Mike Kelly AM MP, and the Member for Wakefield, Mr Nick Champion MP, announced today that a \$99.56 million construction proposal for the redevelopment of facilities and infrastructure at RAAF Base Edinburgh, South Australia, has been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

“The project will upgrade the base’s existing facilities and infrastructure to support several Air Force squadrons,” Dr Kelly said.

The RAAF Edinburgh Redevelopment project will provide new facilities for No 87 Squadron and No 462 Squadron, new and refurbished facilities for No 24 Squadron and No 92 Wing, construction of a new air traffic control tower, new ordnance loading aprons, enhanced security to the base, an upgrade to engineering services and the demolition of redundant buildings, including some containing asbestos.

“A project of this scale will provide a significant boost to the local economy by utilising local tradespeople, labourers and building materials suppliers,” Mr Champion said.

Subject to Parliamentary approval, construction is planned to commence in late 2009 and be completed in mid-2012.

An overview of the Public Works Committee (PWC) can be found at http://www.defence.gov.au/im/committees/pwc/overview_pwc.htm.

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