

# National Policy Commission on Indigenous Housing

## Revised Mandate

- 1 The Mandate of the Commission is to advise the Minister as she requests from time to time in relation to those aspects of Indigenous housing identified by the Minister including:
  - available remote Indigenous housing data to identify need so that the effectiveness of any housing program (including new housing, upgraded housing or infrastructure) can be measured (to be completed as the first priority);
  - the capacity of existing Commonwealth, state and territory programs and strategies to address remote Indigenous housing needs; (including delivery of large scale housing infrastructure programs and continuing housing maintenance and management services)
  - practical strategies on the delivery of housing to provide Indigenous training and economic opportunities and address identified skill shortages in partnership with business;
  - targeted place-based and large scale approaches to remote housing provision throughout Australia; (specifically to consider; contracting arrangements, a variety of building techniques and consequent cost implications)
  - the social benefits of improved housing in those areas including reducing overcrowding, child protection, safety, health, education and economic independence; (specifically consider the measurement of the impact of housing programs on these social factors)
  - opportunities for private investment to deliver **housing** (this should consider the capital investment (the house) and also ongoing maintenance and management of the asset (housing)); and
  - the barriers to the provision of remote Indigenous housing, including land tenure, Indigenous labour force, housing design, costs, methods of procurement and contracting, and industry capacity to meet demand.
- 2 The agenda for meetings of the Commission will be set by the Minister in consultation with Commission members.
- 3 From time to time it may be desirable for the Commission to obtain advice from persons with particular expertise in relation to issues under consideration by the Commission. The engagement of such experts will be agreed with the Minister in consultation with Commission members.