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**PUBLIC HEARING TO INQUIRE INTO SIHIP, LAND TENURE
AND CHILD PROTECTION REFORM**

The Council of Territory Co-operation (CTC) will hold a public hearing on Tuesday 6 March 2012 and will begin by continuing its inquiry into the Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) with witnesses from the Department of Housing Local Government and Regional Services.

Mr Wood, MLA, says the CTC wants to know what progress is being made with land tenure, including township leasing, and will hear evidence from the Department of Housing Local Government and Regional Services and the Northern Land Council. Unfortunately Greg Roche, Executive Director Township Leasing, is not able to appear as advertised in the *NT News* last Saturday due to an unforeseen commitment.

The afternoon session of the hearing begins at 2pm and will continue the CTC inquiry into the implementation of Child Protection Reform. The Committee will be hearing from firstly the Chair of the Child Protection External Monitoring and Reporting Committee and then SAF, T and AMSANT.

After the witnesses have finished giving evidence the Committee is inviting members of the public to have their say on how they think the Child Protection Reform is working at ground level.

The public hearing begins at 8.30am in the Litchfield Room, Parliament House and concludes at 4.30pm.

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