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**FUNDING FOR KARRALIKA POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**

The 2005–06 Budget has allocated \$400,000 for development options for the Karralika drug rehabilitation facility at Fadden, ACT Health Minister Simon Corbell said today.

Mr Corbell said the funding was available to support further development work if the Government decided to proceed with an expansion of the facility.

“Before proceeding with any development on the Fadden site, the Government will give careful consideration to the findings of extensive community consultation undertaken in relation to the Government’s proposal to construct an additional 10 beds at the facility,” he said.

The Karralika Consultative Committee was formed in late 2004 to advise the ACT Government on the future of the proposed expansion of Karralika.

The committee is due to report to the Government in late May 2005.

Mr Corbell said once the Government had received and given consideration to the final report from the committee, it would decide whether an expansion of the facility would proceed.

“If a decision is made to expand the facility a development application will need to be prepared by ACT Health,” he said.

“The Budget funding will allow development studies to be done and forward design to proceed if the Government decides to expand the facility.”

**Statement ends**

