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RE: Responses to questions on Notice from transcript, Inquiry dated 30th of April 2014

Page 36 Q: Ms Jan Barham: *It's good to hear feedback from people who are working at that local level. Do you have a service that provided support to homeless people, a house that perhaps that does not provide accommodation but is a point of contact and access service?*

Response provided by Ms D Green: There is no direct house to go to for homeless people. There is a homeless person's information centre, this is a phone number (see page 4 of the Path2 Home Book). This number offers information and referral not food blankets or material aid.

There are services that provide meals in the Shoalhaven however this is not every day. There is a mobile food van that travels to a few locations once a week. For other services who offer free meals please see pages 8 and 9 of the Path 2 Home book.

Page 36 Q Ms Jan Barham: *You refer to a booklet you produced*

Response provided by Ms Green: Nowra Family Support did not produce the booklet, this booklet is the wonderful work of the East Nowra Neighbourhood Centre. I would suggest that any further information regarding this book be directed to the organisation that developed the book. I have been informed that the committee have a copy of this book, please see the attached copy of the cover of the Path 2 Home book to ensure we are talking about the same book.

Page 37 Q Ms Jackson-Waite: *Yes, there is a homeless committee in the Shoalhaven so it might be helpful for them to give you some information too. The committee could give you a small report or I could get a small report from them and sent it up to you.*

Response provided by Ms Green: The homeless committee meet every month, usually on a Wednesday. The contact person should you require further information is Maxine at Nowra Neighbourhood Centre

I have answered these questions to the best of my knowledge, if you would like to discuss these matters further or I have missed a question please do not hesitate to call me on

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