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Dear Ms Korpinen

Thank you for your letter dated 2 March 2008, in which you request additional information on the AMC Community Reference Group. I apologise for the delay in my response.

As you would be aware, the group met for the first time on 19 March 2008. I believe Mr Brian McConnell attended the meeting on behalf of the ACT Community Coalition. At this meeting, draft terms of reference were tabled and discussed. The revised draft terms of reference will be circulated to the members of the group shortly for comment. A copy of the draft terms is enclosed for your reference. It is expected that the final terms of reference will be approved at the next meeting, which is scheduled for 4 June 2008. You will receive an invitation to the meeting in the next couple of weeks. It is not proposed that the reference group have a statutory framework at this time.

It is envisaged that the group will meet every three months. Meetings will be held at the AMC and will be chaired by the Superintendent of Custodial Services. I intend to attend the meetings myself whenever possible.

I am looking forward to receiving your organisation's nomination to the group when you have had an opportunity to consider the draft terms of reference.

If you have any questions in regard to this matter, please contact Ms Renate Moore in the AMC Project Office by telephone on 6205 0614 or by email at [renate.moore@act.gov.au](mailto:renate.moore@act.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE

The suggested Terms of Reference for the group are as follows:

1. to receive regular briefings from the Superintendent and senior staff of the AMC on the operations of the AMC;
2. to provide comment and advice to the Superintendent as requested;
3. to identify gaps in the provision of services from the community sector;
4. to provide advice, practical input and support in relation to prisoner programs, rehabilitation, and the re-integration of prisoners back into the community; and in relation to partners and families of prisoners;
5. to disseminate relevant information about the prison and its operation to community groups.