

PADDINGTON DAY RESPITE CENTRE

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SELECT COMMITTEE

Monday 5th December 2005

Hon. Andrew Fraser (MP)

Chair – Parliamentary Select Committee on the Impact of Petrol Pricing

c/- Mount Coot-tha Electoral Office

76 MacGregor Terrace

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Dear Mr Fraser.

Paddington Day Respite Centre is a small HACC funded service for the frail aged in Paddington and surrounding suburbs. We run a Coaster and a station wagon to transport clients between their homes and the Centre for a pleasant day of socialisation, a meal, support and services including grooming and podiatry.

The petrol prices for our Centre have almost doubled in the last c months. Our fuel account in May 2005 was \$267 and June \$256, but by October it had risen to \$479.50. This is unsustainable for a small organisation. Our HACC funding will not increase to cover this added cost and we are reluctant to increase the daily fees to the clients – already disadvantaged in numerous ways.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this information to the Committee.

Yours faithfully,

Carol Carr BSSc JP (Qual)

Coordinator