In March 2017, the Public Housing Renewal Taskforce notified the Woden Valley Community Council and residents surrounding Block 29 Section 36 Mawson that the site had been identified as suitable for the development of replacement public housing.

In April 2017, the Taskforce met with members of the Mawson community at consultation sessions to discuss specific aspects of the proposed design and collected feedback online, over the phone, and via email.

During the consultation, some Mawson residents raised concerns about the geology of the site.

To better understand the existing ground conditions and help inform potential development of the site, the Taskforce has arranged geotechnical testing on the site.

Weather permitting, we expect personnel to inspect the site on Monday and Tuesday (5 - 6 June 2017), with field work scheduled for Wednesday (7 June 2017).

A mini-excavator will dig approximately eight test-pits which will be backfilled after the testing has been completed. During fieldwork cones or barriers will be placed around each of the test locations to protect passing pedestrians while the mini-excavator is in operation. See indicative map below.

The Taskforce is working with the Mawson community, including the Mawson Citizens’ Group (MCG), on design details for the proposal.

For more information on the proposal, visit the public housing renewal program website at www.act.gov.au/housingrenewal or email the Taskforce at housingrenewal@act.gov.au. You can also email the Mawson Citizens’ Group at mawsoncg@gmail.com.