



**Amanda Rishworth MP**  
Federal Member for Kingston

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**Certainty for families as the Aldinga Beach ABC2 Centre future is assured**

Member for Kingston, Amanda Rishworth MP can assure families in the Aldinga community that access to quality child care for their children will continue.

“I am pleased to announce today that a new operator has been identified for the Aldinga Beach ABC2 Centre.” Ms Rishworth Said

“Today’s announcement will be a relief for many working parents in the Aldinga area who have been anxiously waiting for news about the future of their local child care centre.” Ms Rishworth Said

The new operators have been identified as part of a thorough and extensive process undertaken by Court Appointed Receiver.

The Court Appointed Receiver has selected operators who have the experience, financial capacity and commitment to deliver sustainable, high quality child care for children and their families.

In November 2008, ABC Learning went into receivership, leaving Aldinga Beach ABC2 Centre facing the threat of immediate closure.

Amanda Rishworth MP said “The Government’s priority throughout this difficult period has been continuity of care for children and, as far as possible, certainty for parents and staff.

“Ensuring ongoing sustainable quality child care for children and support for their families now will have long term benefits for our community and the workforce in the future,”

Amanda Rishworth MP acknowledges the centre Directors and staff for their commitment to the children and families during this period of difficult and uncertain time.

The Court Appointed Receivers for the 241 ABC2 Group child care centres have today announced that new operators have been selected for the majority of ABC2 Group child care centres.

The Receivers have written to all affected families and employees of the ABC2 centre and advised them of the future of their centre.

The Receivers and the new operators as well as the various landlords, still have more to do to settle contracts, arrange licenses and transition the centres to new ownership but the receivers are confident these will be in place by 15 May 2009.

A full list of ABC2 centres and their status is available on PPB's website at [www.ppb.com.au](http://www.ppb.com.au).

A link to this list will be provided on the Australian Government's website [www.mychild.gov.au](http://www.mychild.gov.au).