Question on Notice

No. 969

Asked on 22 August 2018

MR M HUNT asked the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (HON DR S MILES)—

QUESTION

With reference to the Kenilworth ambulance station which has now been operating for several months— Will the Minister commit to a date to attend and officially open the facility so it can be promoted to the community?

ANSWER

The \$1.8 million Kenilworth ambulance facility has been operational since Monday 19 March 2018 providing high quality pre-hospital care to the community in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland.

I am advised the opening of the new facility was published in the Sunshine Coast Daily on the 27 March 2018 on page 5 after I issued a press release promoting its services.

The new Kenilworth facility has responded to just over 240 incidents to date. The Facility is staffed by an Officer in Charge and an Advanced Care Paramedic who are supported by the community's well-established volunteer First Responder Group who provide excellent services to the community.

This new facility features staff relief quarters, a treatment room and training area. It ensures that the Queensland Ambulance Service can respond effectively to additional demand during the tourist season, when increasing numbers of people visit and pass through the area.