

Question on Notice

No. 609

Asked on 21 June 2022

MR A PERRETT asked the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (HON Y D'ATH)—

QUESTION

With reference to Question on Notice No. 296 for 2019—

Will the Minister advise (a) if the Queensland Ambulance Service has now reviewed the current service delivery model for ambulance services for Glenwood and (b) what is the outcome of the review including options for future infrastructure and workforce enhancement planning for an ambulance station at Glenwood?

ANSWER

a) The Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) reviews service delivery for Queensland communities on an ongoing basis and considers available options for future infrastructure and workforce enhancement planning. The Glenwood community and surrounding areas are supported by Gympie and Maryborough ambulance stations. These stations provide 24/7 response coverage. The QAS also works closely with Retrieval Services Queensland, which coordinates aeromedical resources, including fixed wing and helicopter services when required.

b) The incident demand profile for Glenwood has remained consistent since 2019 and the QAS services for the community are considered appropriate. The QAS will continue to monitor service delivery considerations for Glenwood and the surrounding areas and will prioritise resources as appropriate. The establishment and location of ambulance stations is determined by a number of factors, including the type of community (urban, rural and isolated), ingress to and egress from road and air networks, response time profiling, ambulance utilisation rates, available health infrastructure and access to services.