

Question on Notice

No. 1119

Asked on 14 September 2023

MR A PERRETT ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION

With reference to current construction at Gympie Hospital and the Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service's Gympie Hospital Masterplan—

Will the Minister advise (a) if the government has rejected the Gympie Hospital Masterplan's recommendation not to spend money on further construction at the site and (b) if it is now planning to upgrade the Hospital, contrary to the Masterplan's recommendation?

ANSWER

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to delivering the infrastructure our growing state, and our health workers, need.

The Gympie Hospital Master Plan was completed in 2016 by the Hospital and Health Service. This document was superseded by the release of the Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service (SCHHS) *Master Clinical Services Plan 2022-2027* (Master Clinical Services Plan).

A key priority of the Master Clinical Services Plan is the redevelopment of the Gympie Hospital. The Palaszczuk Government is undertaking a business case process for the Gympie Hospital.

The Queensland Government spent over \$2.1 million in the 2022-23 financial year in upgrades to the site, including works on air conditioning and the mental health outpatient area.

In addition, the Palaszczuk Government recently commenced work on a \$8 million project to redevelop staff accommodation at the Gympie Hospital, to provide short-term housing for medical and nursing staff.