

## Question on Notice

No. 1349

Asked on 26 October 2023

**MR J MCDONALD** ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

### QUESTION

With reference to answer to Question on Notice No. 1404 of 2022 and the 'Sustaining Capital Program' outlined on page 84 of **2022-23 Budget Paper 3**—

Will the Minister advise for the Accelerated Infrastructure Delivery Program, Building Rural and Remote Health - Phase 2, and Sustaining capital program (reported separately by each of the three programs and by financial year) (a) the total funding allocated each financial year from 2023-24 to 2026-27 and (b) the total funding expended in the 2022-23 financial year?

### ANSWER

The Building Rural and Remote Health Program is a Palaszczuk Government initiative established to improve infrastructure critical to the delivery of health services in rural and remote communities. This investment ensures rural and remote communities can continue delivering quality, contemporary health services.

The Accelerated Infrastructure Delivery Program, announced in 2022-23, utilises accelerated infrastructure delivery opportunities and short-term investments, to uplift overnight inpatient bed capacity that will provide a release valve and facilitate patient flow out of emergency departments for the increasing number of critically unwell patients who convert to inpatient admissions. The program will deliver 289 beds across seven projects in Metro South, Gold Coast, West Moreton, and Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Services.

The Sustaining Capital funding ensures service critical asset replacement and renewal works can occur across the Hospital and Health Services allowing them to adapt and grow these assets to keep pace with the changing needs of health consumers and service delivery strategies.

I am advised the budget allocations for the requested programs by years is provided below. It is important to note that allocations are reviewed as part of the annual budget process

<b>Program</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
Sustaining Capital	\$367,035,949	\$385,000,000	\$385,000,000	\$385,000,000
Building Rural and Remote Health – Phase 2	\$135,163,557	\$245,181,558	\$114,079,607	\$141,182,648
Accelerated Infrastructure Delivery	\$133,686,836	\$78,248,852	-	-

The total expenditure for each of the requested programs in 2022-23 were:

<b>Program</b>	<b>2022-23 - Actual</b>
Sustaining Capital	\$788 116 517
Building Rural and Remote Health – Phase 2	\$10 713 738
Accelerated Infrastructure Delivery	\$57 234 912