

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 671**

**Asked on 24 May 2023**

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

### **QUESTION**

Will the Minister advise (a) why the internal review of events surrounding a neonatal death at Emerald Hospital on 6 February 2023 has still not been completed 107 days after the tragic event and (b) when will it be completed?

### **ANSWER**

Firstly, I would like to offer my sincere condolences to the parents who have lost their child. I would also like to assure Queenslanders that when concerns are raised about the healthcare provided in our health facilities, that these concerns are appropriately and thoroughly investigated, which in some instances can take time.

I have been advised by the Hospital and Health Service (HHS) that the review into this matter has been completed and that the HHS has met with the parents to discuss the findings of the clinical review. I am advised that a copy of the report has been provided to the Coroner, the Office of the Health Ombudsman and Queensland Maternal and Perinatal Quality Council. I will also be meeting with the family in the coming weeks.