Question on Notice

No. 748

Asked on 13 June 2023

DR M ROBINSON ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION

With reference to the announcement made by the Minister on 29 May 2023 of a '\$150m budget bed boost' for the Redland Hospital, and other Redland Hospital capital projects—

Will the Minister provide the initial project budget, updated project budget, expected construction commencement date and expected completion date for (a) Redland Hospital Stage 1 Expansion (for a new Intensive Care Unit, refurbishment of a number of existing areas in the hospital and additional beds to increase hospital capacity), (b) the Redland Hospital Modular Expansion (for 28 new beds), (c) the Redland Hospital new Mental Health Facility (for 43 beds), (d) Redland Hospital Stage 2 Expansion and (e) any other project which contributes to the \$150m announcement?

ANSWER

The Redland Hospital Stage 1 Expansion project has an approved (initial) budget of \$62 million, which is a \$32 million investment from the Queensland Government and \$30 million from the Commonwealth.

Considerable progress is being made and that early works construction (demolition) is due to commence in June 2023. The main works construction contract is subject to an active tender process, which is expected to be completed in the coming weeks. I look forward to updating the Redland community on the progress of this important project, including construction timelines, as that information becomes available.

The Redland Hospital Modular Expansion, for 28 new beds, is being delivered under the Queensland Health and Hospitals Plan. The project budget is \$25 million. Construction has commenced and is expected to be complete in late 2023, subject to construction and weather conditions.

Construction on the Redland Hospital new \$150 million mental health facility, which is the first part of the Stage 2 expansion, will unlock the site for future expansion. The Redland Hospital Stage 2 Expansion Project has an approved initial budget of \$150 million and is expected to commence construction in mid-2025. To deliver on this important facility's expansion for the community, Queensland Health, over the coming months, will engage consultants to progress schematic design and address planning requirements to work towards the tender release.

I am advised that further information in relation to expected timeframes for practical completion and any changes to original budget estimates will be known following the award of the tender.