

Question on Notice

No. 1213

Asked on 11 December 2024

MR T SMITH ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON T NICHOLLS)—

QUESTION

With reference to the Cairns Hospital Expansion—

Will the Minister advise, as at Monday 28 October 2024 (a) expenditure to date, (b) updated project budget, (c) expected completion date, (d) the specific scope and (e) specific additional services being provided?

ANSWER

As at the 28 October 2024, the Cairns Hospital Expansion was publicly announced at \$250 million, however several hospital expansion projects across Queensland have suffered from significant cost blowouts and project delays from what was announced by the previous government.

The Crisafulli Government is committed to delivering the health services and infrastructure that Queenslanders need.

The Government has appointed an independent team, led by hospital infrastructure specialist Sam Sangster, to conduct an analysis of the cost blowouts within the Capital Expansion Program, which includes the Cairns Hospital Expansion. The Government will provide further updates following this process.