

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 930**

**Asked on 21 August 2024**

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

### **QUESTION**

With reference to it being 18 months since Baby Alby Spreadborough died in Emerald Hospital and 14 months since the Minister committed to an external investigation of how this occurred—

Will the Minister advise why, after two previous deadlines were extended, the completion date for the report has now been delayed indefinitely?

### **ANSWER**

I first met with the family on 5 July 2023 to offer my sincere sympathy for their heartbreaking loss, and I would like to again offer my condolences. I note the Member has chosen to use the baby's full name in this question. I acknowledge that this is a deeply personal matter, and that confidentiality and the Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Assembly must be maintained.

I am advised the Part 6 Clinical Review has been finalised and the detailed Clinical Review Report, provided by independent External Clinical Reviewers, has been provided to the family involved.

I am further advised that following sharing of the full clinical report, Ms Lisa Blackler, Health Service Chief Executive, Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service travelled to Emerald on Thursday 5 September 2024, to personally connect with the family and staff, to provide her reassurance that she is deeply committed to implementing the learnings from this experience.

I acknowledge this has been a very challenging time for the family, and also for the staff involved.

Queensland Health is committed to drawing lessons learned from the Clinical Review Report and to translating these into tangible improvements across the health service.