Question on Notice

No. 944

Asked on 21 August 2024

MR R KATTER ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION

With reference to a condition assessment of the Cloncurry Hospital which was conducted in 2023, with a report date understood to be 30 June 2023—Will the Minister advise (a) if the report has been delivered to the Minister and (b) will the Minister immediately release the findings?

ANSWER

Capital investments are critical to the achievement of health system objectives. The capital infrastructure delivery lifecycle provides the phases, stages and key activities required to develop a capital infrastructure project.

I am advised that in August 2023, the North West Hospital and Health Service received an independent update on the overall condition of the assets across the Hospital and Health Service's facilities. This information for all North West Hospital and Health Service facilities, including Cloncurry Hospital, supports the ongoing maintenance schedule of works and assists in the prioritisation of capital works. These types of documents are operational and not designed for public release and are not provided to me or my office.

Queensland Health has commenced a Preliminary Business Case for Cloncurry Hospital to provide a more detailed assessment to identify the delivery model most likely to achieve the service requirement for the local community and provide the best value for money outcome.