

Question on Notice

No. 899

Asked on 26 August 2025

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

QUESTION

With reference to the Ripley Satellite Health Centre—

Will the Minister advise (a) the total number of existing and planned car parks (reported separately) for staff and visitors if the three story car park that was originally planned was built and (b) the total number of planned car parks (reported separately) for staff and visitors that will be available under the revised plans currently subject to Ministerial Infrastructure Designation process that cuts the three story car park that was originally planned?

ANSWER

The former government's original proposal for a multi-storey car park experienced cost blowouts, delays, and was significantly underfunded. This resulted in the project being halted due to the absence of a viable funding source and placed the opening of the new 90 bed Sub-Acute Expansion at risk.

The Crisafulli Government's 2025-26 Budget included new funding of \$146 million to address underfunded Accelerated Infrastructure Delivery Program, including for the Ripely Sub-Acute Expansion project and the additional car parking.

More than \$20 million has been allocated to deliver new car parking bringing the total spaces at the health centre to approximately 350 for patients, carers, visitors and hospital staff – 37 more spaces than originally planned. The project will also include provision for electric vehicle charging stations.