

Darling Downs Hospital and Health Board Meeting

29 August 2017

Summary of the key issues discussed and decisions made by the Board

A meeting of the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Board (the Board) was held on 29 August 2017 at the Baillie Henderson Hospital. The meeting was chaired by Mr Mike Horan AM and attended by eight (8) members of the Board, with no apologies recorded.

Dr Paul Clayton, Executive Director Infrastructure attended the meeting to present an overview of the Infrastructure Report and discuss the Kingaroy ED Brief.

The Board welcomed the new Director Media & Communications, Ms Bekki Fisher, who attended the meeting to present the Communications Team report and discuss new media initiatives, such as establishing a social media presence and undertaking a rebranding process for the health service.

A range of matters were dealt with at the meeting including:

- The Board received and noted reports provided by the Board Executive, Board Finance, Board Audit & Risk and Board Safety & Quality Committees.
- The Health Service Chief Executive (HSCE) provided a comprehensive report to the Board on the operations, activity and governance of the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service (DDHHS) in line with identified service priorities and performance indicators.
- The Board discussed the Chief Finance Officer report and the current financial position of the DDHHS. The Board also reviewed and endorsed the 2016-17 Annual Financial Statements.
- The Board received and noted the Infrastructure Update for July 2017 with updates on key projects and activities, such as:
 - Kingaroy Hospital Redevelopment
 - Total Asset Management Plan being finalised
 - Farr Home Project
 - ICT projects expected to commence, including ieMR for Toowoomba Hospital, Office 365 Project and Windows 10 Project
 - Toowoomba Hospital Redevelopment, particularly the Site Analysis reports being updated.
- The 2016-17 Annual Report was reviewed and endorsed for submission to the Department of Health on 6 September 2017.

The official opening of the Baillie Henderson Hospital Laundry Upgrade was held, attended by the Mayor and Councillors from the Toowoomba Regional Council, Mr Trevor Watts MP, Member for Toowoomba North and Mr David Janetzki MP, Member for Toowoomba South. All staff from linen services and key staff members involved in the laundry redevelopment project were also in attendance.

On Monday 28 August 2017, the Board continued its program of visiting DDHHS work units and toured the Infrastructure, Workforce and Finance Divisions on Baillie Henderson Hospital campus. The Board met with staff members from each of these divisions to thank them for their continued efforts and excellent support, essential to the efficient and effective operation of the health service.

This summary of key issues discussed and decisions made is approved for publishing by the Executive Committee of the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Board and does not form or represent any part of the minutes of the meeting.

