



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

A meeting of the Darling Downs Health Board (the Board) was held on Tuesday 26 April 2022 at Dalby Hospital.

The Board meeting was chaired by Mr Mike Horan AM and attended by nine members of the Board. A range of matters were dealt with at the Board meeting including:

- The Board received reports provided by the Board Executive, Board Finance and Board Safety & Quality Committee Chairs.
- The Board discussed the Chief Finance Officer's report for March 2022 and noted the current financial position of the health service.
- Annette Scott, Health Service Chief Executive provided a comprehensive report to the Board on the operations, activity and governance of DDH in line with identified service priorities and performance indicators.
- The Board approved the following:
 - Board Sub-Committee Memberships and Board Portfolios
 - Deputy Chair Nomination
 - Darling Downs Health representative on the Darling Downs West Moreton Primary Health Network Nominations Committee
- The Board received regular internal updates regarding:
 - Work Health and Safety Performance
 - Infrastructure
 - Aged Care
 - Indigenous Health
 - Consumer and Community Engagement
- The Board received a comprehensive presentation on Dalby Hospital from:
 - Jane O'Donnell, Acting Director of Nursing and Facility Manager
 - Dr Christopher Cowling, Director Medical Services – Western Cluster
- The Board also received an update on the progress towards and next steps to complete the Darling Downs Health Equity Strategy from:
 - Bede Wilson, Project Lead Health Equity
 - Natasha Hamilton, Project Officer Health Equity

The Board held a luncheon with local community stakeholders including the Western Downs Regional Council Mayor and Councillors, and representatives from Arrow Energy, DISCO, Blue Care, Men's Shed, Rotary Club and the Dalby Chamber of Commerce.

New Board members, Terry Kehoe and Dr Stephen Harrop, took the opportunity to tour the Dalby Hospital, lead by Jane O'Donnell and Dr Chris Cowling.

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