



DARLING DOWNS HOSPITAL AND HEALTH BOARD MEETING - June 2026

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 Monday 29 June and Tuesday 30 June, at Kingaroy Hospital, chaired by Ms Merrilyn Strohfeldt and attended by seven (7) Board Members.

The Board reviewed and approved:

- Board Committee Charters – Annual Review
- Darling Downs Health Risk Appetite Statement
- Updated Research Strategy 2026-2029
- Annual Attestation Statement 2026

A range of matters were discussed at the Board meeting including:

- A comprehensive report from Annette Scott PSM, Health Service Chief Executive, on the operations, activity, and governance of DDHHS in line with identified service priorities and performance indicators.
- Directors and Officers and Statutory Liability Insurance Renewal
- Organisation Operational Plan
- Winter Bed Planning Approach
- Feedback regarding the Hospital Rescue Plan Design Development 100% submission for the New Toowoomba Hospital Main Hospital Build
- Receipt and noting of reports from Board Executive, Board Safety and Quality and Board Finance Committee Meetings.
- Receipt of regular internal updates relating to:
 - Commercial Management and Infrastructure
 - Information and Business Intelligence
 - People and Culture
 - Aged Care
 - Consumer and Community Engagement

The Board participated in a site tour of Kingaroy Hospital, visiting the Central Sterilising Services Department (CSSD), Medical Imaging, Emergency Department, Rehabilitation Unit, Birth Suite, Maternity Unit, Renal Unit, and the Day Therapy Unit.

The Board also gathered for a commemorative morning tea and official unveiling event for the Lady Florence Bjelke-Petersen Bench in the gardens of Kingaroy Hospital.