LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Health:

Royal Darwin Hospital Master Plan

1. Is the master plan for RDH finalised and will you be releasing it?

A number of options have been developed for RDH. Before a preferred option can be selected, all options need to go through a rigorous Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA). When completed, the preferred option will be presented to Government for consideration.

2. What measures does it contain to mitigate Repairs & Maintenance costs (forecast to cost \$139.28 million over 10 years)?

A key part of the CBA will be Whole of Life (WoL) costing for each option. The WoL cost will be a key factor in determining which is the best option in respect to the cost of operating over the life of the asset, including maintenance costs.

3. What is the schedule for implementing measures in the master plan?

The Department of Health in partnership with the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics will develop a strategic business case to prioritise infrastructure investment for RDH. The priorities will be based on forecast demands for clinical services, safety, functionality and asset reliability.