

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Health:

**Alice Springs Hospital**

**Ambulatory Care Centre**

**In 2019 the Federal Government announced \$25.7 million in funding for the Ambulatory Care Centre in Alice Springs.**

**1. When will the Ambulatory Care Centre commence construction?**

Construction is expected to commence in Quarter 4 2022.

**2. When is the Ambulatory Care Centre expected to have completed construction?**

Construction is expected to be complete in Quarter 4 2023.

**3. Where will the Ambulatory Care Centre be built?**

The Ambulatory Care Centre is proposed to be built in the south east corner of the campus on the corner of Gap Road and Traeger Avenue.

**4. How many car parks will be lost at the Alice Springs Hospital with the Ambulatory Care Centre being built at that site?**

No car parks will be lost. Car parking will be included in the design of the new Ambulatory Care Centre to meet the planning scheme requirements.

**The Alice Springs Hospital Rehabilitation Unit**

**This facility was constructed in the mid 1990's. When it was first constructed it was a modern facility, however now it is old with insufficient size to meet the growing demand for rehabilitation services and the increased number of health professionals employed in this space.**

**Reports from people working at the Hospital and clients of this service say it is too small, congested and not working well as a clinical rehabilitation space.**

**1. Do you have plans to extend, refurbish or build a new Alice Springs Hospital Rehabilitation unit?**

Master planning of the Alice Springs Hospital will include consideration of the Rehabilitation Centre.

**Alice Springs has never had a public hydrotherapy pool.**

**2. Is the NT Government considering providing the people of Central Australia with a hydrotherapy pool, like you have provided in the new Palmerston Hospital?**

Master planning of the Alice Springs Hospital will consider hydrotherapy requirements.

**Alice Springs Hospital Multistorey Carpark**

**The people of Alice Springs thank you for listening to their pleas and committing to build a new Multistorey Carpark.**

**It is almost 2 years ago since I gathered more than 1000 signatures at the Alice Springs show calling for a new hospital carpark and two days later you announced you would provide us a Multistorey Carpark. Thank you for listening and actually delivering for the people of Alice Springs.**

**We are incredibly grateful.**

**I have observed that construction has now commenced. The Alice Springs Hospital leases two adjacent spaces for car parking – one at the old prison and one at Our Lady of Sacred Heart School Traeger Avenue.**

**1. How much does the NT Government pay to lease these spaces?**

Old Gaol carpark costs \$44,989.32 per annum

8 Traeger Avenue carpark costs \$40,670.75 per annum

**2. What are the lease arrangement with these organisations?**

Commercial lease

**3. What was the commencement date for these leases?**

Old Gaol commenced on 1 February 2012

8 Traeger Avenue commenced on 1 October 2016

**4. How many car parks do these spaces provide?**

170

**5. Will these leases continue after construction of the new Multistorey Carpark?**

Yes