



MEDIA RELEASE

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

20 MARCH 2017

PUBLIC HEARING RESPONSE TO AUDIT OF PALMERSTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL

The Public Accounts Committee will hold a public hearing on the response to the Auditor-General's audit of the Palmerston Regional Hospital in reported in June 2016.

Mrs Kate Worden MLA, the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee, said "It is important that oversight and management of all major projects in the Territory conforms to best practice".

The Public Accounts Committee considers that the audit identified significant gaps in the policies and procedures for the management of major projects.

The Committee is now seeking assurance that the Auditor-General's recommendations are receiving an adequate and timely response and has invited the Chief Executives of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and the Department of Trade, Business and Innovation to appear before it at a public hearing at on Tuesday 21 March 2017 at Parliament House.

"The Committee will be seeking from the Chief Executives answers to questions regarding the Auditor-General's recommendations, including the total costs of the Palmerston Regional Hospital," Mrs Worden said.

Further details on the Public Accounts Committee are available from parliament.nt.gov.au including the hearing schedule which follows.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Public Accounts Committee

RESPONSE TO AUDIT OF PARLMERSTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL

Litchfield Room, Level 3, Parliament House

12.00 pm, Tuesday, 21 March 2017

TIME	ORGANISATION	INDIVIDUAL(S) PRESENTING
12.00PM	Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics	Mr Andrew Kirkman, Chief Executive Mr Brett Brogan, General Manager Infrastructure Investment and Contracts Mr Glen Brady, Project Director
	Department of Trade, Business and Innovation	Mr Michael Tennant, Chief Executive Ms Anne Tan, General Manager, Strategic Infrastructure and Projects Mr Jason Robertson, Director Strategic Infrastructure, Strategic Infrastructure and Projects
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