

HALLS CREEK HOSPITAL, REPLACEMENT

606. Mr L. Graham to the Minister for Health

- (1) Has there been any delay in the commencement of the construction of the replacement Hall's Creek Hospital since its inclusion in the State Budget in May 2000?
- (2) If the answer to (1) is no, what was the anticipated commencement date set in May 2000?
- (3) If the answer to (1) is yes, to what are the delays attributable?
- (4) Has the amount budgeted for been increased to compensate for any delays?
- (5) If the answer to (4) is no, why not?
- (6) If the answer to (4) is yes, what additional amount has been budgeted?
- (7) On what date will construction commence?
- (8) On what date will construction be completed?

Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:

1. Yes.
2. Not applicable.
3. As part of the Country Services Review, a review of clinical and service delivery in the Kimberley region has been undertaken, and a strategic operational plan for the Kimberley Health Service is currently being finalised. Negotiations have also been finalised for the transfer of 6 high-care beds to the current provider in Halls Creek.
4. No.
5. The latest estimated total cost for this project is within the original budget allowance.
6. Not applicable.
7. Scheduled construction commencement is December 2003.
8. Scheduled completion is January 2005.