

WOMEN’S AND BABIES’ HOSPITAL — RELOCATION

306. Ms L. METTAM to the Minister for Health:

I have a supplementary question. Can the minister confirm that she is saying the upgrade of the ICU and theatre complex and emergency department will be part of the \$1.8 billion commitment to the women’s and babies’ hospital, or when will it be delivered at the Queen Elizabeth II Medical Centre?

Ms A. SANDERSON replied:

I am saying that we are already doing the business case for the emergency department, and that is well and truly running. That is already committed to. That will happen regardless of where the women’s and babies’ hospital will be located. We will absolutely consider those upgrades. They need upgrading. There is a whole range of infrastructure that needs upgrading, and we will work with Charlies and the North Metropolitan Health Service around how we can fund that and when we can get it into the pipeline of works.