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Sent: Wednesday, 2 January 2019 10:29 AM
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Subject: HPE Content Manager Director-General Correspondence : DGC19/3 : Letter from Shaun Strachan - Surgical Procedures Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre and Centenary Hospital for Women and Children (CHWC) Expansion - Seeking key deci...
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Hi Regan,

DG sent this direct to Karen before shut down.

Can I please request that a response be prepared for the DG to sign on his return from leave?

Due to this office by 11 January 2018.

Thanks,

Alice West

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West, Alice (Health)

From: West, Alice (Health) on behalf of De'Ath, Michael (Health)
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Subject: FW: Letter - SPIRE and CHWC Expansion key decisions
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From: Gosling, Izzie
Sent: Friday, 21 December 2018 12:14 PM
To: De'Ath, Michael (Health) <Michael.De'Ath@act.gov.au>
Cc: Strachan, Shaun <Shaun.Strachan@act.gov.au>
Subject: Letter - SPIRE and CHWC Expansion key decisions

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Hi Michael,

I have attached a letter from Shaun Strachan. He has also tried to get in touch with you today to discuss.

During your quarterly catch up on 10 December 2018, and in order to assist the ACT Health Directorate you requested for CSI to provide you with early notification of any challenges foreseen in the beginning of 2019. As a consequence Infrastructure Finance and Capital Works (IFCW) have outlined a number of key decisions required from ACT Health Directorate (ACT HD) to direct IFCW in the delivery of SPIRE and the CHWC Expansion projects.

Kind Regards,

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Dear Mr De'Ath *Michael*,

Surgical Procedures Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) and Centenary Hospital for Women and Children (CHWC) Expansion key decisions

During our quarterly catch up on 10 December 2018, and in order to assist the ACT Health Directorate you requested for Commercial Services and Infrastructure (CSI) to provide you with early notification of any challenges foreseen in the beginning of 2019. As a consequence Infrastructure Finance and Capital Works (IFCW) have outlined a number of key decisions required from ACT Health Directorate (ACT HD) to direct IFCW in the delivery of SPIRE and the CHWC Expansion projects.

As you are aware, IFCW are currently supporting ACT HD in the delivery of 2018/19 business cases for SPIRE and CHWC Expansion to be completed in April and March 2019 respectively. The Minister for Health and Wellbeing announced in December 2018 the commencement of demolition of the Canberra Hospital Building 5 and 24 in the 2019 calendar year with completion of SPIRE in 2024.

To achieve these briefed milestone dates, there is much planning and work to be mobilised immediately. IFCW have developed a detailed project programme outlining key activities to be completed and are working closely with the Building Health Services Program team to meet the briefed commitments.

To progress according to programme, IFCW seek timely direction on a number of key matters as follows:

CHWC Expansion

1. Adolescent Mental Health Unit

A formal instruction to include an Adolescent Mental Health Unit into the business case scope including provision of an approved Health Planning Unit Brief and Model of Care is required. The CHWC Expansion Proof of Concept is well advanced and the inclusion of additional scope at a late stage will become problematic and may incur

abortive works, additional costs and programme delays. These documents are required in the first half of January 2019.

2. Ronald MacDonald House

Confirmation on the use of the existing Ronald MacDonald House floor plate for clinical use including the intended use, and schedule of accommodation is required. At present the use of this area is contested by clinical area leads and there are likely to be issues with its late inclusion into the business case scope. Again this may lead to abortive effort, additional costs, rework of the design and programme delays.

SPIRE

1. Governance Structure

Implementation of a governance framework early in January 2019 is critical to ensure a robust, transparent decision structure at appropriate levels in the organisation. IFCW recommend implementation of a PCG for each project and a combined CHWC Expansion and SPIRE Executive Steering Committee as the approving forum. The CHWC Expansion design is progressing at pace to meet the business case timelines and a governance structure is required to provide organisational accountability.

2. User Group Nominations

IFCW have provided User Group representative nominations to ACT HD which require rapid approval to enable date claimers for user group meeting to be scheduled in early 2019. IFCW are receiving negative feedback that SPIRE user group and start up meetings have not been diarised. A delay in establishing these meetings will attract further negative feedback from key stakeholders regarding their engagement through the design development process.

3. Accommodation and Relocations Strategy

There is a critical need to determine the accommodation and relocation strategy for SPIRE. With the demolition of Buildings 5 and 24 and a complex relocations programme required for both SPIRE and CHWC Expansion it is paramount that the accommodation strategy be agreed in the first quarter of 2019. Alternative accommodation is required for the

- Child at Risk Unit (CARHU)
- Sexual Health Clinic (SHC)
- Overnight accommodation
- CHS executives offices
- Medical staff accommodation
- Public car parking and executive/fleet carparking
- CHWC administrative accommodation
- Clinical decanting spaces for CHWC

The relocations strategy is likely to require construction of temporary accommodation on campus which will require planning approvals, design, construction, decanting and commissioning prior to demolition commencement.

4. Demolition Scope

To achieve demolition commencement in the 2019 calendar year as announced, a demolition DA will be required to be lodged before May 2019. An instruction to the Proof of Concept Principal Consultant Silver Thomas Hanley (STH) is required to develop the decanting strategy and demolition documentation package. IFCW require a formal instruction and Statement of Requirements in January 2019 to progress this work.

5. Service Delivery Plan

The development of the SPIRE Service Delivery Plan is required to inform a Principal Consultant and Contractor on the full scope, function and workflow of SPIRE which typically requires up to 12 months to prepare. IFCW seek a Statement of Requirements from ACT HD in January 2019 to commence procurement of a suitable health planning consultant to complete this deliverable.

6. Engagement and Communications Strategy

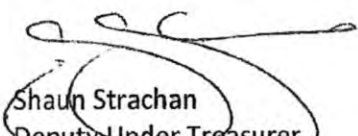
Prior to Demolition DA lodgement, it is highly recommended that detailed communication and engagement is undertaken by ACT HD with Canberra Health Services, external stakeholders, Unions, neighbours and the broader community. IFCW are able to coordinate key submissions from the Principal Consultant Team to inform this engagement strategy including, artist's impressions, sections and elevations of the SPIRE proposal. Absence of consultation will likely delay demolition DA lodgement.

7. Team Resourcing Model

The IFCW project delivery team is expanding to meet the current work load. Executive Director of Major Projects Mr Lloyd Esau will formally commence his leadership of the IFCW delivery team from January 2019. IFCW are keen to map a combined IFCW, ACT HD and CHS delivery team for the projects. Some initial thoughts have been provided in George Tomlins' correspondence (3 December 2018) to Karen Doran. This planning must include a discussion on a SPIRE/CHWC co-located team accommodation proposal.

I look forward to discussing these matters further to ensure decisions can be progressed in a timely manner to enable IFCW to support ACT HD in the delivery of these critical capital works initiatives to meet government expectations.

Yours sincerely



Shaun Strachan
Deputy Under Treasurer

Commercial Services and Infrastructure

21st December 2018

Hoffmann, Cameron (Health)

From: Junakovic, Georgia
Sent: Thursday, 3 January 2019 1:09 PM
To: JACS Cabinet and Assembly; GovernmentBusinessHealth; EDU Cabinet, Liaison Officer; TCCS_Cabinet; CSD Cabinet Mailbox; EPSD Government Services
Cc: Birkett, Joice
Subject: Urgent - Correspondence from the Under Treasurer - Capital Works Management Fees [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Attachments: Distribution to CLOs.tr5
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Hello,

The below email has been sent to Directors-General. I have saved the correspondence referred to in TRIM CM2019/47, a link is also attached.

Could you please take a copy of your directorate's letter and securely provide to the relevant DG. Could you please confirm once this has been actioned?

Many thanks

Georgia

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From: Birkett, Joice **On Behalf Of** Office of the Under Treasurer
Sent: Thursday, 3 January 2019 12:31 PM
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Subject: Correspondence from the Under Treasurer - Capital Works Management Fees [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear Directors-General

Please be advised, correspondence from the Under Treasurer regarding the Capital Works Management Fees will be provided to you securely via your Directorate CLO.

Please note, the hard copy will not be sent unless requested.

Kind regards
 Joice

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cc.

Ms Bernadette McDonald
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Michael
Dear Mr De'Ath

Capital Works Management Fees

I am writing regarding the capital works management fees payable by the Health Directorate to Infrastructure Finance and Capital Works (IFCW) in the current financial year.

The acting Executive Director IFCW, Mr George Tomlins, responded to your letter of 4 September 2018 on my behalf (3 December 2018), with the response provided to the Deputy Director General, Ms Doran. Pending the provision of formal advice, as requested from Ms Doran, regarding the division of responsibilities for capital works project delivery between Health and Canberra Health Services, I will continue to address matters related to fees directly with you as the recipient of the first tranche IFCW fee invoice in September 2018.

As set out in my letter to you of July 2018, the Government agreed (17/238/BUD – April 2017) that management fees would be payable to IFCW in usual circumstances. The decision was made to support the appropriate level of resourcing for IFCW's capital works delivery capability. More specifically, the Budget Process Rules (BPRs) clarify that the services of IFCW should be used in project delivery and that payment of fees would be mandatory. In unusual circumstances, exemptions from these arrangements would be assessed in the context of the Government's decision and the BPRs with my agreement as Under Treasurer.

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I am advised that the first invoice for the Health Directorate's capital works fees, of \$2.153m (GST ex), is currently some 30 days past due and remains unpaid at the time of writing. I would be grateful for your earliest attention to settling this matter.

As Mr Tomlins set out in his letter, IFCW remains committed not only to high standards of service, expertise and accountability, but also to adjusting the second fee invoice to take account of prepayments and other cost adjustments. I am advised at this stage that the second invoice, to be rendered in February 2019, is expected to be in the region of \$0.968m.

IFCW's considerable expertise is available to all directorates as and when required and I encourage you to discuss your future project delivery requirements as soon as possible in preparation for the delivery of the 2019-20 capital works program. If you require any further information or to discuss your future project delivery requirements, please contact Mr Tomlins on 6207 8944.

Yours sincerely



David Nicol
Under Treasurer

~~December 2018~~

2 January 2019

Lowes, Shannon (Health)

From: Chair ACT [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 3 January 2019 5:21 PM
To: DGAHealth
Cc: Bone, Chris (Health)
Subject: Correspondence from the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
Attachments: 2018-12-21 LTR ACT Health DG surgical skills centre.pdf

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To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons ACT Chair Ailene Fitzgerald, please see attached correspondence for the Director-General. We are meeting tomorrow with the CEO of Canberra Hospital & Health Services in the hope a solution can be found.

We also seek potential dates for quarterly meetings with the Director-General in 2019.

Kind regards,

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21 December 2018

Mr Michael De'Ath
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Dear Mr De'Ath,

Follow up from meeting with Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 17 September 2018

I refer to my letter of 18 October 2018, to which we have not received a response.

Last week the ACT Minister for Health announced the new Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre will be built on the same location earmarked for a skills training centre, which we discussed with you in September.

You may not be aware of the timeline associated with this priority for surgical training, but conversations with your predecessor date back to September 2015. More than three years on, despite multiple assurances that a space will be identified for the centre (a surgical training post accreditation requirement), no progress has been made.

RACS ACT has provided detail on the design and fit out requirements on multiple occasions. At our September meeting the Deputy Director-General of Canberra Hospital & Health Services Chris Bone and former Chief Medical Officer Jeff Fletcher committed to making at least two rooms available within one month.

The requirements for a Medical Education and Support Officer to deliver surgical training and education were outlined in our 2016 proposal, and in September we also asked whether ACT Health would support this position, similar in job description to the 0.5 FTE staff specialist position responsible for enhancing physician training and education in the ACT, and broader southern NSW catchment.

Just finally, we seek an update on the Clinical Leadership Forum announced by the Minister on 10 September 2018, as part of her statement on ACT Health Culture. We hope you can provide an update on these two issues very soon.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Ailene Fitzgerald
RACS ACT Chair

Cc Mr Chris Bone, Deputy Director-General, Canberra Hospital & Health Services

Lowes, Shannon (Health)

From: Ritchie, Angela (Health) on behalf of DGACTHealth
Sent: Wednesday, 23 January 2019 3:54 PM
To: Nicol, David
Subject: Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency Centre, Expansion of Centenary Hospital for Women and Children and Infrastructure Finance and Capital Works
Attachments: Letter to Mr David Nicol.pdf

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Dear Mr Nicol

Please see attached letter on behalf of Mr Michael De'Ath, Director-General ACT Health Directorate.

Kind regards

Angela Ritchie

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Dear David

Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre, Expansion of Centenary Hospital for Women and Children (CHWC) and Infrastructure Finance and Capital Works (IFCW)

Thank you for your letter of 2 January 2019 in relation to Capital Works Management Fees. I also acknowledge correspondence from Mr Shaun Strachan and Mr George Tomlins of 21 December 2018 and 3 December 2018 respectively.

On 1 October 2018, ACT Health was split and commenced transition to two separate Directorates – the ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) and Canberra Health Services (CHS). Attached to the letter from Mr Tomlins was a draft anticipated fee reconciliation from Infrastructure Finance and Capital Work's (IFCW), for current capital appropriations for both ACTHD and CHS projects. Following the transition, I can confirm the following appropriations are under the auspices of ACTHD:

- #6: Better healthcare for a growing community – Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency Centre (SPIRE);
- #10: Better care when you need it – Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency Centre (SPIRE);
- #12: Better healthcare for a growing community – Expanding Centenary Hospital – More services for women and children;
- #14: Better care when you need it – Planning for healthcare in Canberra's north
- #16: Ngunnawal Bush Healing Farm;
- #20: Better healthcare for a growing community – Continuing North side health care planning;
- #24: Better care when you need it – Expanding Centenary Hospital – More services for women and children; and
- #26: Bowes Street Fit Out.

In regard to item #4 (Better Infrastructure Fund), a portion of this relates to Calvary Public Hospital Bruce (CPHB). In this respect, there will be a quantum of ownership for this project that will reside with the ACTHD – i.e. the CPHB portion of the project. I note that as a grant to a third party, it is not anticipated that this will attract a fee for IFCW services.

For the projects listed above, ACTHD agrees with the IFCW reconciliation, and anticipates invoices totalling \$931,000 for the 2018-19 financial year. To this end, I would appreciate if you could reissue the August 2018 invoice for ACTHD consistent with our project portfolio (\$466,000). I note that where there are rollovers for these projects in 2019-20 and beyond, that the 2018-19 payment will need to be recognised for the future years to avoid duplication of fees.

Expansion of the Centenary Hospital for Women and Children (CHWC)

The ACTHD is currently working with IFCW and CHS on the Proof of Concept design for the Expansion of the CHWC, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The project includes Adolescent Mental Health Unit [REDACTED]

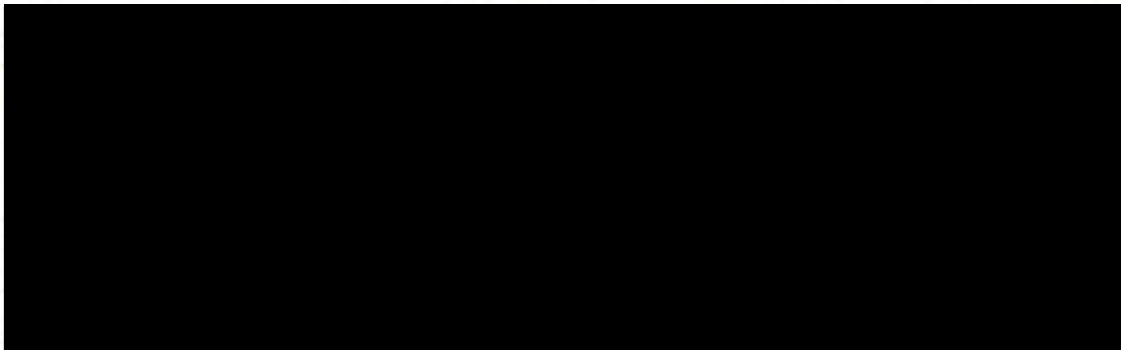
[REDACTED] Detailed health planning unit (HPU) briefs are close to completion and will be provided shortly through to the design team.

The ACTHD has also recently implemented a governance structure for project, which includes IFCW, consistent with the ACT Government Capital Framework. A copy of the governance structure has been provided to IFCW and we look forward to working with IFCW to successfully deliver to completion this critical project.

Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre

[REDACTED] SPIRE project would be overseen by a governance group chaired by the ACTHD with cross-government representation of which we envisage IFCW will be a key stakeholder.

[REDACTED]



The other matters relating to SPIRE raised in your letter of 21 December 2018, including planning and developing a strategic approach for Development Application lodgement, are being progressed by the ACTHD in partnership with IFCW. I would like to thank you and your team for the support we have received in progressing workshops this week and assisting us to remain on track to deliver against the Government's commitments.

I very much welcome further discussion with you on these projects and matters should this be required, and look forward to the continued support of IFCW to progress ACTHD capital projects in a timely manner and within Government's expectations.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Ms Karen Doran on (02) 5124 9799 or via email at DDGCorporate@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Michael De'Ath
Director-General

23 January 2019

Warne, Hayley (Health)

From: Dwyer, Melissa (Health) on behalf of DDGClinical
Sent: Wednesday, 23 January 2019 5:11 PM
To: DDGCorporate
Cc: CEOHealth
Subject: RE: Follow up: DGC19/16 : Letter from Ailene Fitzgerald - SPIRE location - Royal Australasian College of Surgeons [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi Hayley

Chris advised that the topic was discussed in the meeting but an outcome has not been reached as yet. It is a high priority to find a space for the skills training centre and will be addressed within the staging and decanting of Building 5 and building 24.

Christine, do you have anything to add from the CEO office?

Kind Regards

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


Kind Regards

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From: Elfving, Regan (Health)

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Subject: HPE Content Manager Director-General Correspondence : DGC19/16 : Letter from Ailene Fitzgerald - SPIRE location - Royal Australasian College of Surgeons [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] UNCLASSIFIED

Hi there

As per the letter received from Dr Fitzgerald (attached) I understand that Bernadette will be meeting with RACS and that the surgical training centre may be a topic for discussion - can you please provide me with a summary from that meeting so I can incorporate into a letter of response for the DG?

Thank you

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Warne, Hayley (Health)

From: Alexander, Tonia (Health)
Sent: Friday, 25 January 2019 10:29 AM
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Cc: DDGClinical; Simpson, Sue (Health)
Subject: DGC19/16

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Hi there,

I think you guys were seeking some advice from us on this one, in terms of where things are up to with the surgical skills centre and training support officer for RACS.

Chris Bone's comments are:

- This is pending arrangements of the decamp of buildings 5 and 24
- CHS is looking to draft a duty statement for a training support officer based on a similar position in the Division of Medicine.

Hope this helps.

Thanks,

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Ritchie, Angela (Health)

From: Chair ACT [REDACTED]
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Cc: Bone, Chris (Health)
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Kind regards,

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18 October 2018

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Dear Mr De'Ath,

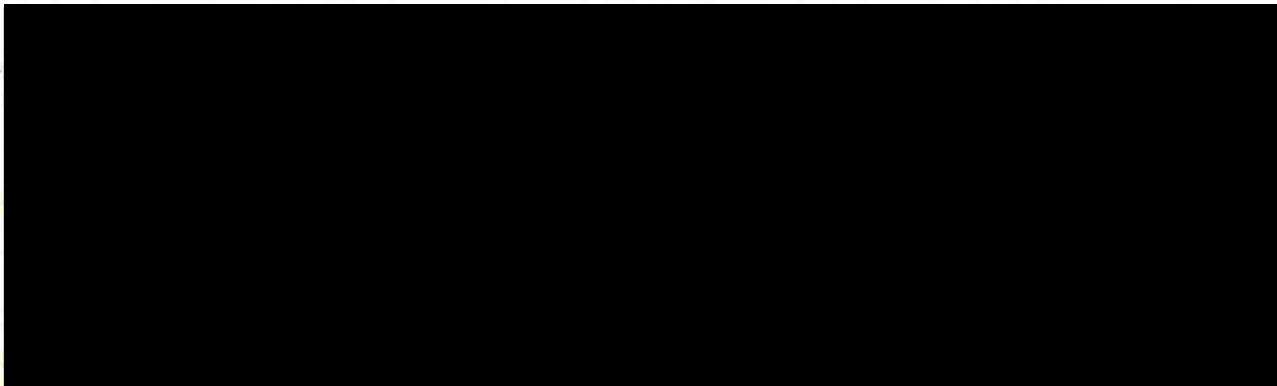
Meeting with Royal Australasian College of Surgeons

Thank you for meeting with members of RACS ACT on 17 September 2018. It was useful to hear an update on the progress on creating a skills training centre in Building 5.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On the issue of a skills training centre, we have provided detail on the design and fit out requirements to Dr Fletcher and CHHS Director of Medical Services A/Prof Paul Dugdale. We were pleased Dr Fletcher and the Deputy Director-General Canberra Hospital & Health Services Chris Bone committed to making at least two rooms available within one month, and would like an update on the proposed timeline.



We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Ailene Fitzgerald
RACS ACT Chair

Cc Mr Chris Bone, Deputy Director-General, Canberra Hospital & Health Services
Dr Jeffrey Fletcher, ACT Chief Medical Officer
Dr Justin Pik, RACS ACT Deputy Chair

Lowes, Shannon (Health)

From: Hayne, Casey (Health)
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Cc: DDGCorporate
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Dear Dr Mitchell

Please find attached correspondence from Karen Doran, Deputy Director-General, Corporate.

Best regards,

Casey Hayne

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Dr Imogen Mitchell
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Dear Dr Mitchell

Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency Centre – Planning and Engagement

ACT Health has commenced site planning for the new Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency Centre (SPIRE) at Canberra Hospital, Garran.

As discussed with you in December, the new SPIRE Centre will encompass land on which buildings 5 and 24 are currently located on the Canberra Hospital campus. These structures will need to be removed to accommodate the new building.

To support the 'staging and decanting' phase of the SPIRE project, we have commenced scoping existing services and functions currently housed in these buildings and identifying relocation options. I would like to work with you to determine the best approach to identifying decanting options for ANU Medical School staff and activities currently located in building 5, and the appropriate timing of relocation works.

In relation to the ANU's activities in Building 5, I understand that there is some capacity in Building 4 which could be activated by minor works. Improved utilisation of the ANU Medical School building would also be consistent with the site's Strategic Asset Management Plan and sustainability goals. ACT Health would be happy to work with your team to explore this potential utilisation as part of the SPIRE project.

Identifying mechanisms for effectively communicating with ANU staff and students affected by these works is also a priority for the SPIRE project team.

I invite you, or your representative/s, to participate in the proposed Building 5 Staging and Decanting Working Group. The Working Group will provide advice on the staging and decanting strategy and input into the final recommendations put to the SPIRE Project Steering Committee for endorsement.

It is anticipated that the first meeting of the Working Group will be held February 2019, and a schedule of meeting dates and agenda will follow.

To confirm your membership of the Group, or that of your preferred representative/s please contact Mr Brad Burch, Executive Branch Manager, Strategic Infrastructure, on (02) 5124 9719 or via email at Brad.Burch@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Karen Doran
Deputy Director-General
Corporate Services Group

31 January 2019

Finlay, India (Health)

From: Lindemann, Monica (Health)
Sent: Thursday, 7 February 2019 10:26 AM
To: Finlay, India (Health)
Subject: letter from RACS [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi India

A couple of points, not to be part of the response letter, but rather to inform it:

- The current decant of building 5 is replacing existing space/services in this building (like for like)
- It is not scoped to consider planned usage of building 5 in the relocation process.
- ACTHD is working with ANU staff to identify alternative training spaces for the existing ANU Medical facilities in building 5.
- Three ANU Medical School staff, nominated by the Dean, are members of the staging and decanting working group.
- Is there scope within SPIRE for the Skills Training Centre? Where are the design and fit out plans referred to in the RACS letter?
- Is there scope in Building 4 (ANU) to accommodate the Skills training Centre?

Thanks
 Monica

Monica Lindemann

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Ivansson, Zoe (Health)

From: Basic, Babita
Sent: Tuesday, 26 February 2019 9:24 AM
To: Gray, Sophie; Esau, Lloyd; Catanzariti, John; Doran, Karen (Health); Lopa, Liz (Health); Burch, Brad (Health); Culver, Jakob (Health); Evans, Kate (Health); JasonSmith, Rhona (Health); Kinghorne, Sally-Anne (Health); Mooney, Colm (Health); Bone, Chris (Health); McDonald, Bernadette (Health); [REDACTED]
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 Boyd, Narelle (Health); Wood, Daniel (Health); O'Neill, Cathie (Health); Dugdale, Paul (Health); Mclauchlan, Jeanne (Health); Boyd, Kerry (Health); Jeffrey, Hamish (Health); Tarbuck, Chris (Health); Talaulikar, Girish (Health); [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: SPIRE Executive Planning Team Workshop 01 Minutes and Presentation [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Attachments: SPIRE_SITE_ANALYSIS-20190221-low.pdf

Apologies, I forgot to attach the Presentation.

I have now attached.

Babita

Kind Regards

Babita Basic

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Sent: Tuesday, 26 February 2019 9:23 AM
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 [REDACTED]
Subject: SPIRE Executive Planning Team Workshop 01 Minutes and Presentation [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

All

Please find attached the Minutes and Presentation from the Executive Planning Team Workshop 01 that took place on the 21st February.

A reminder that Workshop 02 – Preliminary Options is scheduled for 14 March, 10.00am-12.00pm. Invites have already been sent out.

Babita

Kind Regards

Babita Basic

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Ivansson, Zoe (Health)

From: Strachan, Shaun
Sent: Friday, 8 March 2019 8:25 AM
To: Burch, Brad (Health)
Cc: Gray, Sophie; Esau, Lloyd
Subject: General - Clarification and Discussion future resource expectations.

Hi Brad,

Following our brief chat last night Sophie will give you a call later today to organise a time to catchup up on Governance and Resource matters affecting Women's and Children's. I've asked Sophie to give me a summary of the outcomes of your discussions if there are any outstanding issues.

I will later today separately request a meeting with Karen, Liz and yourself to meet with Sophie, Lloyd and myself for next week.

I am keen to understand the following in order to ensure there is a clear focus on overall delivery and resource expectations in working closely with the HD as this applies to:

- early works - staging and decanting / critical path
- business case finalisation
- spire IFCW resource expectations (fee for service model option)

I have asked from IFCW executives - clarification on specific milestones and the high level overall project plan tying all the above elements in.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call should you have any questions. I trust the above will also give you the opportunity to brief Karen and Liz prior to my email and request being sent.

Regards

Shaun.

Sent from my iPad

Lowes, Shannon (Health)

From: Ritchie, Angela (Health) on behalf of DGACTHealth
Sent: Tuesday, 12 March 2019 12:39 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Skills Training Centre
Attachments: Letter to Dr Fitzgerald.pdf

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Dear Dr Fitzgerald

Please see attached letter on behalf of Mr Michael De'Ath, Director-General ACT Health Directorate.

Kind regards

Angela Ritchie

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Dr Ailene Fitzgerald
ACT Chair
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
[REDACTED]

Dear Dr Fitzgerald

Thank you for your letter of 21 December 2018 regarding the skills training centre. I apologise for the delay in responding.

As you are aware, the new Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre will displace existing buildings 24 and 5 on the hospital campus. This development requires our Strategic Infrastructure branch to undertake staging and decanting planning for the services and staff operating from these buildings, including identifying alternative accommodation arrangements on either a short, or longer-term basis.

Opportunities to accommodate the proposed surgical skills training space on the Canberra Hospital campus may be considered in the context of these accommodation requirements.

In relation to your request for an update on the Clinical Leadership Forum, I can advise that the ACT Government will shortly be seeking Expressions of Interest from interested health professionals who want to contribute to shaping the future of public health services in the ACT.

I understand Canberra Health Services are looking at drafting a duty statement for a training support officer based on a similar position in the Division of Medicine, however following the separation of ACT Health, further information into this matter is best referred to the Chris Bone, Deputy Director-General, Canberra Health Services.

If you have any further questions and concerns please contact the recently appointed Executive Group Manager, Strategic Infrastructure, Ms Liz Lopa who can be contacted on (02) 5124 9805, or via email liz.lopa@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Michael De'Ath
Director-General

12 March 2019



Meegan Fitzharris MLA

Minister for Health and Wellbeing
 Minister for Higher Education
 Minister for Medical and Health Research
 Minister for Transport
 Minister for Vocational Education and Skills
 Member for Yerrabi

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 1 March 2019, addressed to Federal Minister for Health, The Hon Greg Hunt MP, about accommodation for interstate patients and their families at Canberra Hospital. Your correspondence was referred to me as this matter falls within my portfolio responsibilities.

I understand the pressures on families who travel to Canberra for care and am committed to ensuring those who need it will have access to appropriate accommodation support.

ACT Health Directorate is planning for the construction of the new Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre on the Canberra Hospital campus. The new centre will improve and support the continued delivery of timely and high quality services at the hospital as well as cater for the ACT's growing population by bringing more and better tertiary health services to Canberra Hospital. SPIRE will increase the hospital's capacity to deliver acute and emergency health care to residents of Canberra and the surrounding region.

The site for the new SPIRE Centre encompasses land currently occupied by buildings 5 and 24. Building 5 residences will continue to be accessible until the end of 2019 for interstate visitors and carers of patients who live more than 100km from Canberra Hospital.

ACT Health Directorate is currently working in collaboration with Canberra Health Services (CHS) to develop alternative arrangements to meet the accommodation needs of the families of interstate patients from 2020. Any new arrangements for CHS accommodation policies for patients and carers travelling long distances to receive treatment, will be in line with those of other large public hospitals around the country and engagement with people who require the service will take place closer to the end of the year.

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I appreciate you taking the time to write about your concerns.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Meegan'.

Meegan Fitzharris MLA
Minister for Health and Wellbeing

16/4/2019

Ivansson, Zoe (Health)

From: Alexander, Tonia (Health)
Sent: Thursday, 18 April 2019 2:47 PM
To: Lopa, Liz (Health)
Cc: Mooney, Colm (Health); Chatham, Elizabeth (Health); McDonald, Bernadette (Health)
Subject: SPIRE Attachment 1B - Statement of Clinical Need from CHS
Attachments: Attachment 1B - Statement of Clinical Need from CHS.docx

Importance: High

Hi Liz,

As discussed with Liz Chatham, please find attached.

Regards,

 Tonia Alexander | a/Business Manager

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Ivansson, Zoe (Health)

From: West, Alice (Health) on behalf of De'Ath, Michael (Health)
Sent: Tuesday, 21 May 2019 9:16 AM
To: Lopa, Liz (Health)
Cc: Dal Molin, Vanessa (Health)
Subject: FW: SPIRE Announcement

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Hi Liz,

Just wondering if DG discussed this email in your meeting on Friday?

It would be good to get some preliminary advice for DG today ahead of Ministers meeting tomorrow.

Thanks,

Alice West

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From: Fitzharris, Meegan
Sent: Friday, 17 May 2019 11:46 AM
To: De'Ath, Michael (Health) <Michael.De'Ath@act.gov.au>
Cc: Attridge, Vanessa <VanessaS.Attridge@act.gov.au>; Dal Molin, Vanessa (Health) <Vanessa.DalMolin@act.gov.au>; West, Alice (Health) <Alice.West@act.gov.au>
Subject: Re: SPIRE Announcement

Excellent news, thanks Michael.

Let's discuss next week once we have a bit more clarity on Budget.

If you could ask ANU to think about what they are ready/would like to say about their facility.

I am very comfortable with us sharing SPIRE details with them at the same time as key senior staff are briefed in the lead up to the announcement, at this stage very late May or very early June.

Thanks again

Meegan

Sent from my iPhone

On 17 May 2019, at 9:07 am, De'Ath, Michael (Health) <Michael.De'Ath@act.gov.au> wrote:

Minister, please note below.

Happy to discuss further.

Michael

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From: De'Ath, Michael (Health) <michael.de'ath@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, May 17, 2019 9:05 am

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: McDonald, Bernadette (Health); [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Re: SPIRE Announcement

Thank you [REDACTED] and we look forward to working with you on this significant development.

I will be in contact again when more is known about an announcement.

Kind regards

Michael

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, May 17, 2019 9:02 am

To: De'Ath, Michael (Health)

Cc: McDonald, Bernadette (Health); [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: SPIRE Announcement

Dear Michael

Thank you for the opportunity to be part of new developments on the Canberra Hospital site.

As part of a public announcement about the SPIRE project, ANU is willing to commit to developing a facility onsite for research, education and training, in partnership with the ACT Health System and Canberra Health Services.

We would appreciate opportunity to review the announcement prior to the launch and, if appropriate, to participate in the event.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Lowes, Shannon (Health)

From: ACT Health DLO
Sent: Wednesday, 23 October 2019 10:46 AM
To: MPC Ministerial
Cc: Cunningham, Lauren; Bell, Vilma
Subject: FW: Location of SPIRE Project

Importance: High

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi team

Can you please trim this correspondence and prepare a response.

Due to MO for clearance by 8 November.

Thank you
 Chadia

Chadia Rad | Directorate Liaison Officer

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From: STEPHEN-SMITH
Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 11:13 AM
To: ACT Health DLO <ACTHealthDLO@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Location of SPIRE Project
Importance: High

Hey Chadia

Can we request a response to this one is prepared for the CM? We would still like it to come up through our office.

Thanks
 Jonny

From: BARR Reception <BARR@act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 10:14 AM
To: STEPHEN-SMITH <STEPHEN-SMITH@act.gov.au>

Cc: Mizen, Ronald <Ronald.Mizen@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Location of SPIRE Project

Hi Jonny

The Chief Minister will respond to this one as it has come through as a direct response to Chief Minister's talk back. If your office wishes to provide input into the CM response you are welcome to do so.

Thanks

Britt

From: STEPHEN-SMITH <STEPHEN-SMITH@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 10:04 AM

To: BARR Reception <BARR@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Location of SPIRE Project

Hey Britt

Pretty sure SPIRE under Major Projects is still us. My understanding is that it should still come through the Health DLO via our office.

Cheers,
Jonny

From: BARR Reception <BARR@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 9:59 AM

To: STEPHEN-SMITH <STEPHEN-SMITH@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Location of SPIRE Project

Hi Jonny

That's fine, CM will respond through Major Projects- please disregard transfer.

Cheers

Britt

From: STEPHEN-SMITH <STEPHEN-SMITH@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 9:52 AM

To: BARR Reception <BARR@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Location of SPIRE Project

Hey Britt

Ordinarily Rachel would respond to this one as she is the relevant Minister. I've never before asked a directorate to prepare a response to be sent from another Minister (even the CM), unless there is some portfolio crossover or it's a whole of government response or something.

Is there a specific reason you want this one to come from the CM?

Cheers,
Jonny

From: BARR Reception <BARR@act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 9:02 AM
To: STEPHEN-SMITH <STEPHEN-SMITH@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Location of SPIRE Project

Hi Jonny- further advice on this one

Could we actually request a response from CM via Health?

Cheers

Britt

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 18 October 2019 10:47 AM
To: STEEL <STEEL@act.gov.au>; BARR Reception <BARR@act.gov.au>
Subject: Location of SPIRE Project

I have just been listening to Chief Ministers talkback on ABC radio and noted that the Chief Minister stated that the proposed location of the Canberra Hospital SPIRE project is the only location available for this project.

As a long time Canberra resident and frequent user of the hospital, I am pleased that funding is being made available to improve the facility however, I would like to know:

- What other options were considered when choosing the location?
- Did you look at options to expand the campus footprint (e.g. the other side of Yamba drive or next to Garran oval where temporary carparks exist)?
- When has the precinct masterplan been circulated and what consideration has been given to traffic flows, impact on residents (particularly Harpur St residents), impact on Garran Primary School and noise impact of the helicopter pad being moved even closer to nearby homes?
- Does the site meet the standards for accessibility to an Emergency health facility both for ambulance, air ambulance and the general public?

I consider that due process has not been followed in regard to the location of this project. I live in Garran and only received a flyer showing the location a few weeks ago.

Andrew Barr's response this morning showed a level of arrogance that I don't expect from elected members who are there to serve their constituents, not just sweep very real concerns under the carpet which is exactly what Andrew did this morning.

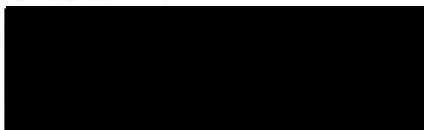
This is not a NIMBY response from local residents – it is a response to something that clearly has not been fully considered (e.g. – Barr stating yes we will look into traffic issues etc – surely this should be done before making a decision!).

Nobody is saying that this project should not go ahead – but follow due process, develop a full, multi-year precinct plan before plonking it on a site just because it happens to be available, even though it clearly has many issues and, I suspect, may not meet emergency access standards.

Canberra is not Kogarah or Camperdown – we have vacant land adjacent to Canberra hospital which, with a bit of thought could be incorporated into the hospital campus to make it a more pleasant and accessible campus for all that use it now and into the future and have the added bonus of limiting the impact for Canberra residents who live close to the facility.

I look forward to your response.

Kind regards



Lowes, Shannon (Health)

From: ACT Health DLO
Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2019 9:21 AM
To: MPC Ministerial; Cunningham, Lauren
Cc: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: FW: SPIRE traffic
Attachments: Hospital Map annotated.jpg

Importance: High

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Due By: Tuesday, 5 November 2019 4:00 PM
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Hi team

Can you please request a response to this correspondence.

Many thanks
 Chadia

Chadia Rad | Directorate Liaison Officer

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From: STEPHEN-SMITH
Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2019 9:19 AM
To: ACT Health DLO <ACTHealthDLO@act.gov.au>
Cc: vanDijk, Ash <Ash.VanDijk@act.gov.au>; Tomlinson, Benjamin <Benjamin.Tomlinson@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: SPIRE traffic
Importance: High

Hi Chadia

Can we request a response to Tracey please?

Thanks
 Jonny

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 28 October 2019 5:24 PM
To: STEPHEN-SMITH <STEPHEN-SMITH@act.gov.au>
Subject: SPIRE traffic

Dear Ms Stephen-Smith

Thankyou for your letter directed to Garran Residents re the SPIRE Project at The Canberra Hospital.

[REDACTED]

In your letter, you states that the "current facilities at the north-eastern part of The Canberra Hospital campus already generate traffic flow from Gilmore Cres and Palmer Street..." and that relocation of services will result in "...traffic flow [being] directed to other parts of The Canberra Hospital... [which] will offset other traffic movements associated with the SPIRE project".

I am concerned that you have been given inaccurate information about the traffic flow at The Canberra Hospital. Currently the carpark at the north-eastern part of the campus is only accessed via Hospital Rd, and the service in the buildings to be demolished are only accessed via Hospital Rd. None of these areas are access by either Gilmore Cres or Palmer Street.

Part of the SPIRE plans discussed at a recent staff information session indicated that a lot of the services from the demolished buildings will be moving to a new (demountable) building at the site of the current Building 8 which is accessed via Palmer Street. This will result in a movement of traffic on to Palmer Street in addition to traffic from the SPIRE.

I have attached a map that shows this.

Traffic for the SPIRE needs to be urgently addressed, particularly any implications for safety of primary school children at Garran Primary considering the type of traffic that an Emergency Department is likely to generate. If the SPIRE site cannot be moved, then significant traffic flow changes (such as blocking off Palmer Street at the Gilmore Cres end so all SPIRE traffic is via Palmer Street not past the school on Gilmore Street) need to be considered.

Thankyou again for your communication with the local residents.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]





Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs
Minister for Children, Youth and Families
Minister for Disability
Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety
Minister for Health
Minister for Urban Renewal
Member for Kurrajong

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 28 October 2019 regarding potential traffic concerns resulting from the SPIRE Project on the Canberra Hospital Campus.

The ACT Government is committed to engaging with both our near neighbours and the greater ACT community to deliver a fit for purpose, state of the art facility that will provide vital services for our community, well into the future.

The ACT Government is very mindful of traffic pressures within the Canberra Hospital precinct and is keen to work with the community, including Garran Primary School and local residents, to address these as part of the broader planning process. Our traffic engineers are currently evaluating the traffic volumes and flow in and around the hospital campus. This will allow the design team for the project to better understand the impacts on the traffic network of the local area before any design decisions are finalised.

You are correct that the existing carparking that will be displaced by SPIRE is accessed off Hospital Road, however, it is our current understanding that most of this traffic gains access to Hospital Road via Gilmore Crescent at the northern end of the campus. We expect that the additional traffic studies we are undertaking will confirm this.

In relation to the new Building 8, I would like to assure you that this new facility will be accessed primarily by foot from Hospital Road and is only being used to relocate functions that are already on site. The new building will include parking accessed from Palmer Street, but the quantity of this parking will not be materially different to that which is currently provided in this location (between buildings 8 and 9 and behind building 9). As such, it is not expected that this development will have any effect on traffic volumes – either on Palmer Street or at the hospital generally.

This is just the start of the conversation, and through community interest groups, information forums, and online at YourSay there will be ongoing opportunities for further community input. I encourage you to visit the ACT Health website at <https://www.health.act.gov.au> and subscribe to the SPIRE mailing list to stay informed about upcoming opportunities to provide feedback on the project.

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Thank you for raising this matter. I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA

From: [Wijemanne, Naveen \(Health\)](#)
To: [Health Ministerial Liaison Officer](#)
Cc: [GovernmentBusinessHealth](#)
Subject: FW: SPIRE Ministerial for Review
Date: Monday, 11 November 2019 2:46:02 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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[FW Location of SPIRE Project.msg](#)
[image002.jpg](#)

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Hi team – could you please coordinate this request?

Many thanks

Naveen

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From: MPC Ministerial <MPCMinisterial@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 11 November 2019 2:39 PM

To: [GovernmentBusinessHealth](#) <GovernmentBusinessHealth@act.gov.au>

Cc: [Wijemanne, Naveen \(Health\)](#) <Naveen.Wijemanne@act.gov.au>

Subject: SPIRE Ministerial for Review

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Hi all

MPC have drafted the attached ministerial response regarding the location and traffic around SPIRE. As the location of SPIRE was determined pre-MPC, the CPO has requested that this be provided to Health for review.

Could you seek review of the attached and advise of any comments (or clearance) by COB Wed 13 November?

If there are any issues or you need anything further please let me know.

Cheers

Lauren

Lauren Cunningham |

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