

North West Hospital and Health Service

BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

JULY 2025

The North West Hospital and Health Board held its monthly meeting in Mount Isa on Tuesday, 29th July 2025.

The meeting was chaired by Board Chair, Cheryl Vardon AO and attended by eight (8) members of the Board: Deputy Chair Prof. Eleanor Milligan, Thomas (Bill) Armagnacq, Tanya Arnold, Anne Pleash, Tonya Murray, and Dr. Marco Giuseppin, Dr Mellissa Naidoo and Loretta Seamer attended virtually.

The board received updates from the board committees, including:

- Board Executive Committee (Chaired by Cheryl Vardon AO)
- Board Audit and Risk Committee (Chaired by Dr Marco Giuseppin)
- Board Safety and Quality Committee (Chaired by Prof. Eleanor Milligan)
- Board Finance and Performance Committee (Chaired by Bill Armagnacq)
- Board Stakeholder Engagement Committee (Chaired by Anne Pleash)

The Health Service Chief Executive reported to the board on the operations and activity of North West Hospital and Health Service (HHS) for the previous month.

Other key agenda items discussed included but not limited to:

- Financial Management
- Capital Projects
- North West HHS Wesbite
- Presentation from QLD Police Domestic and Family Violence and Vulnerable Persons Unit
- Workforce, Culture and Work Health and Safety Due Diligence
- Strategic Risk
- Board Engagement Luncheon with Finance Department.

The Board and Executive Leadership Team will undertake a range of actions following the meeting to progress North West Hospital and Health Service's commitment to safe and high-quality healthcare.

On 21st and 22nd July, Health Service Chief Executive Sean Birgan and Board Chair Cheryl Vardon AO formally welcomed the Governor of Queensland to the North West Hospital and Health Service. The visit provided an opportunity to showcase local healthcare services, highlight key achievements, and discuss future initiatives. The Governor met with staff, toured key facilities, and engaged with community members.



On the morning of 29th July, prior to the Board Meeting, Board Members visited the Orange Sky Laundry facilities in Mount Isa. The visit provided valuable insight into the positive impact of the service on the local community.



The Board hosted an Engagement Luncheon with the HHS Finance Department. The luncheon provided an opportunity to thank the team, learn more about their roles, and acknowledge their important contribution to the HHS.



The day concluded with the Staff Awards Night, an event recognising the exceptional contributions of staff and volunteers across the North West HHS. The awards celebrated dedication, innovation, and excellence in delivering healthcare to the region.



This summary of key issues discussed and decisions made are approved for publishing by the North West Hospital and Health Board Chair and does not form or represent any part of the meeting minutes.