

Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Board

Board Meeting Summary

Tuesday 2 December 2025

Gympie Hospital

Board Chair:

Dr David Rowlands OAM

Board Members:

- Emeritus Professor Birgit Lohmann
- Mr Terrance Bell
- Ms Debra Blumel
- Mr Rodney Cameron
- Mr Bruce Cowley
- Dr Sue McAvoy
- Ms Sandra McCullagh

Executives in attendance:

- Ms Karen Dean, A/HSCE
- Mr Julian Tommei, EDLG

Secretary / Manager Board Operations (MBO)

- Ms Trish Taylor

The Board visited the Gympie Nurse-Led Walk-In Clinic and then met with the Gympie Director of Nursing/Facility Manager to discuss the proposed Emergency Department expansion plans prior to the Board meeting.

The meeting was chaired by Dr David Rowlands and there was one apology.

A summary of the meeting is provided below.

The Board received a presentation on Gympie Hospital.

The Board approved the Sunshine Coast Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (Draft) Health Equity Implementation Plan (2026-2028).

The Board noted and discussed the Board Chair report.

The Board noted and discussed the HSCE Report.

The Board received a summary of the November 2025 Finance and Performance Committee meeting and updates on operational and financial performance from the A/HSCE and A/CFO.

The Board received a summary of the November 2025 Board Audit and Risk Committee meeting and updates on strategic risks. The Board approved Ms McCullagh's appointment as Chair of the Board Audit and Risk Committee with immediate effect.

The Board received updates on:

- Sunshine Coast Health Regional Needs Assessment
- Sunshine Coast Health Risk Management Report
- Sunshine Coast Health Internal Audit Report

Approved for publication by the Chair, Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Board. Please note that this is a summary of key issues discussed and decisions made by the Board of the Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service and does not represent or form any part of the minutes of the Board meeting.