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Dear Mr Swinbourn

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Thank you for your letter dated 17 May 2018 for further information regarding Petition No. 41, Old Warren Hospital. The following additional information is included:

Copies of engineering reports, building condition audits and other information regarding the soundness of the current hospital structure:

1. Warren Health Service Design Development Report.
2. Warren Health Service Site Demolition Plan.
3. Warren Health Service Scoping Workshop Report.
4. Warren Health Service Roof Report.
5. Warren Health Service Roof and Floor Void Inspection Report.
6. Warren Health Service Future Facility Profile.
7. Warren Health Service Final Scoping Costs.
8. Warren Health Service Letter from State Heritage Council.
9. Warren Health Service Letter from Shire of Manjimup.
10. Warren Health Service Architectural Specifications.

The cost to demolish the current Warren Hospital is \$1.4 million. This amount is part of the builder's contract.

The retention of the existing hospital, or any portion of it for any purpose, would need to address the current building code compliance issues as it would involve a change of use and require a new occupancy certificate. If the buildings were to be retained, a new occupier would be faced with the same issues the WA Country Health Service experienced whilst exploring the refurbishment option.

The Department of Finance, Building Management and Works provided preliminary advice that code compliance issues could still require expenditure in the order of \$6 million before any consideration of refurbishment costs.

I note the committee's request that *'if no engineering reports have been completed, would the Department consider postponement of demolition.'* The detailed engineering reports are completed and provided on the enclosed USB device. The Department advises that given the contract for construction and demolition has already been awarded; postponement of the demolition of the old hospital would incur additional costs to the State Government along with delays to the finalisation of the project. Therefore, demolition will be proceeding as the new hospital is now completed and it is necessary to complete the outstanding capital works – building a new visitor car park for the new hospital where the old hospital currently stands.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention and I trust this information will be of assistance.

Yours sincerely



HON ROGER COOK MLA
DEPUTY PREMIER
MINISTER FOR HEALTH; MENTAL HEALTH
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