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To whom it may concern,

I wish to state that in my opinion the situation with Tasmanian Rural Health and Hospitals is in dire need of review.

I have lived in Strahan for some time and found it impossible to achieve a reliable health situation due to no regular doctor being available in Strahan. Only Locums are available and then only 3 days per week. I am 71 years old and although in general good health in is worrying that I have to wait sometimes for days in order to see a doctor, and then to find I need to explain my situation "yet again" to someone new.

Currently, I have been registered for Category 2 surgery since 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020. I understand category 2 stipulates the surgery is to be performed within 3 months, it is now almost 6 months and I am still waiting. After phones calls to the Burnie Hospital I get the impression that I am being pushed back in the queue.

I welcome this inquiry and hope it achieves a satisfactory outcome.

Yours Sincerely

Dennis Smith