

CONSTITUENT QUESTION

House of Assembly

ASKED BY: Anita Dow MP

ANSWERED BY: Hon Jacquie Petrusma MP
Minister for Health

QUESTION:

My question is from my constituent, Gavin, who lives in Queenstown. Gavin wants to know: if the government is serious about fixing the budget, will they review the use of driving subcontractors for maintenance of the West Coast District Hospital?

ANSWER:

The Department of Health takes the maintenance and compliance of its facilities very seriously.

If Department of Health staff are not available or qualified to undertake a maintenance activity, the Department engages an available contractor.

If possible, local contractors are engaged. However, in some more remote locations, such as the West Coast District Hospital, suitably qualified contractors may not be available, and contractors are mobilised from elsewhere in the State. This ensures the timely rectification of outstanding maintenance tasks.



Hon Jacquie Petrusma MP
Minister for Health

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