

# SHADOW MINISTRY Update

As Shadow Minister for Health I have been shocked and appalled by the mismanagement of our health system under the Palaszczuk Labor government. Over and over again they have put politics ahead of patient care and had their priorities completely wrong.

2018 has been characterised by **scandal, policy failures, warped priorities, corruption investigations, increased ambulance ramping, ballooning emergency department and surgery wait times and**

**a Minister who is clearly out of his depth.**

**“Rural mums living in a state of danger: maternity ward closures put newborn lives at risk”**

Courier Mail, 12 Aug 2018

**Closing rural maternity services** across Queensland which is putting rural and regional mums and bubs at risk

**Spending millions** to change the name of the **Lady Cilento Children's Hospital** following a rigged “public poll” while children at the same hospital can't get a bed

**“Queensland Health Minister caught lying and manipulating public poll”**

2GB, 20 Nov 2018

**Savage cuts to preventative health** initiatives despite 60% of Queenslanders being either overweight or obese

**Increasing rates of assaults on hospital staff** across Queensland, including a 53% increase in Gold Coast Hospitals

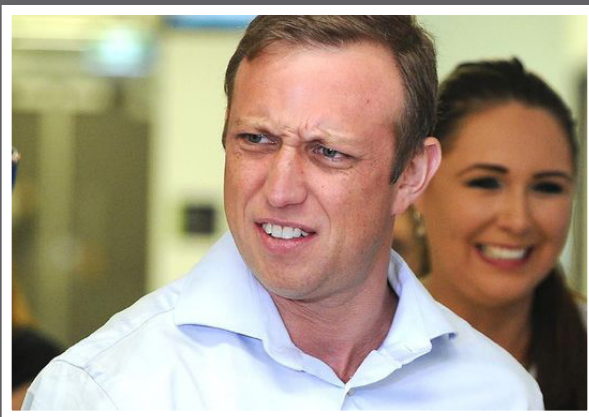
The ongoing rollout of digital hospital software across Queensland hospitals is **the next health payroll debacle.**

The project is already **\$250million over budget**, doctors are losing confidence, regular system outages have occurred and the CEO of eHealth Queensland is under investigation by the Crime and Corruption Commission

**“Queensland digital hospitals program facing \$250m cost blowout”**

ABC, 3 Dec 2018

## Dr Dolittle



▲ Minister for Health, Steven Miles MP

Source: The Gold Coast Bulletin

4 children were **given cancerous transplant** tissue from the Queensland heart valve bank.

I raised concerns about the Tissue Bank prior to these revelations and my concerns were dismissed by the Minister as scaremongering

**10 health projects across Queensland are delayed.** Including:

I. A new mental health facility in Mackay delayed by one year

II. A new ICE rehabilitation facility in Rockhampton which was promised for 2018 but has not broken ground yet and will not commence until 2020

III. Stage 2 of the Sunshine Coast University Hospital delayed by one year

IV. Other significant delays to redevelopment projects at hospitals in Roma, Atherton, Hervey Bay, Nambour, Ipswich and Cairns

**“Almost every hospital across the State is failing to meet clinical benchmarks”**

Courier Mail, 25 Oct 2018





# BATES BULLETIN

our Mudgeeraba

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## Dear Residents

This year marks my 10th year as your State Member for Mudgeeraba.

In 2009 when I was first elected, the electorate of Mudgeeraba was a very different place to what it is today.

Our roads had not been upgraded to meet demand. Residents were forced to drive over crumbling infrastructure or were stuck in gridlock on the M1. School facilities and classrooms were neglected. Local police were under resourced and our community and sporting groups did not receive the funding they needed to thrive.

Ten years later, I'm incredibly proud of the progress we've made and how I have delivered on the commitments I made in my first speech to Parliament.

A particular source of pride is having fought hard to upgrade the entire length of the M1 throughout the Mudgeeraba electorate from Exit 73 to 85. As well as reducing graffiti and hooning in our community by up to 75% through my HoonWatch and GraffitiWatch initiatives.

It has been an honour and a privilege serving this community as your State representative. I will continue to work tirelessly to ensure our local area remains a wonderful place to live.

Yours sincerely,

Ros Bates MP  
LNP Member for Mudgeeraba  
Shadow Minister Health and Ambulance Services  
Shadow Minister for Women



◀ Ros with Merna Franklin at the Springbrook Mudgeeraba QCWA AGM



▲ Ros with members of the Motorcycle Enthusiasts Club of the Gold Coast at the Mudgeeraba Show



▲ Ros at the opening of the STEMosphere at Mudgeeraba State Special School

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# LOCAL ISSUES

## Update

### Roads

#### Gold Coast-Springbrook Road open

Gold Coast-Springbrook Road was finally reopened to the public prior to Christmas.

Transport and Main Roads have done an excellent job repairing the devastation from landslips caused by ex-Tropical Cyclone Debbie in March 2017.

I must commend the Springbrook community who were so patient and understanding throughout the 20 month process.



▲ Ros inspecting Gold Coast-Springbrook Road with Federal Member for Wright and Assistant Minister for Roads and Transport, Scott Buchholz MP

#### Reedy Creek sound barriers delivered

To the relief of residents in Reedy Creek 4 new sound barriers and 1 extension are going to be installed at various locations along Gemvale Road.

For many years I have heard from Reedy Creek residents who are frustrated by increasing highway noise from the M1. In early 2018 I supported locals with a petition for new barriers to be constructed. The petition received overwhelming support and the Minister had no option but to approve the construction.

The barriers will be constructed as part of the current M1 upgrades. There is no timeframe for finalisation yet.



▲ Ros speaking with a Reedy Creek resident about new sound barriers



▲ Ros at the Stapley Drive bridge duplication site

#### M1 from Mudgeeraba to Varsity Lakes upgrade

The M1 upgrade from Mudgeeraba to Varsity Lakes is well underway. This is an incredibly exciting project that will reduce travel time and congestion, improve safety, and increase traffic flow for locals who use the motorway every day.

I would like to praise locals for their understanding and patience throughout the construction process and changes to traffic.

Traffic changes in effect include the temporary closures of The Link Way off-ramp and the southbound off-ramp at Exit 84, as well as the permanent closure of the northbound M1 entry and exit ramps for the Reedy Creek North Caltex/McDonald's site.

### Law and Order



Crime is up on the Gold Coast - common assault is up 126%, serious assaults are up 76% and robberies are up by 49%.

It beggars belief that the Palaszczuk Labor Government has **cut 44 police officers** from the Gold Coast in the middle of a crime crisis.

These cuts to police officer numbers put our community at risk. The LNP will ensure that our police and our laws protect the community.







## Community

### Record funding for local community groups and sporting clubs

2018 was the year of the big cheque.

Over \$1 million of funding and donated resources has been injected into our local community groups, sporting clubs and schools through different grants and donations.

You can subscribe to my monthly eNewsletter, *Ros' Rounds*, for information on upcoming grants. In addition I am always happy to provide letters of support to not-for-profit organisations who are applying for government funding.



▲ \$10,000 for the Gold Coast Model Flying Club



▲ \$15,000 for Heat Basketball Gold Coast



▲ \$1,000 for Gilston State School P&C



▲ A Comm Games defibrillator for Hinterland District Netball Association



▲ \$10,000 for Giddy Up Gold Coast



▲ \$35,000 for Mudgeeraba State Special School



▲ \$35,000 for the NV Gravity Park in Numinbah Valley



## The LNP's plan for Australia's toughest child killer laws

A future LNP Government will introduce a new offence of child manslaughter that will carry a mandatory 15-year jail penalty.

We will also increase the minimum non-parole period for the murder of a child under 18 from 20 to 25 years.

As patron of Act for Mason I have worked hard on this policy which will bring penalties into line with community expectations.



▲ Ros, Deb Frecklington MP, Leader of the Opposition and Katherine, from Act for Mason with the community petition signed by 38,030 people demanding harsher sentencing, following the death of toddler Mason Jett Lee