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Minister for Health

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Mr Ken Gainger
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Dear Mr Gainger

Thank you for your response to my offer to Byron Shire Council to acquire the former Mullumbimby and District War Memorial Hospital site.

NSW Health supports the transfer of the site to Byron Shire Council, subject to:

- Council entering into a contract for sale for \$1 and accepting the property "as is" including any contamination or hazardous substances on the site and on the basis that NSW Health is fully indemnified of any future liability for any claim to costs for demolition of buildings and remediation of the site; and
- That Council arrange for demolition of all buildings and remediation of the site at Council's cost given expert advice recommends this approach to ensure the health and safety of the community.

Please advise if these conditions are acceptable to Council. NSW Health will then arrange a contract for sale for Council's consideration.

As you are aware, the recent 2017 hazmat report for the site has been publically released on 24 April 2017. For full transparency on hazardous materials on the site, NSW Health will make available further hazmat reports and documentation for your consideration. Health Infrastructure has received a quotation for the safe demolition of the buildings and site remediation with a cost of several million dollars.

Thank you again for your prompt response. Should you require further information, please contact Mr Jan Schmidt, Director Program and Asset Management on 9391 9726.

Yours sincerely

Brad Hazzard MP

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