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Parliamentarian and Departmental Letters received by the Mayor

Appendix 1 Letter from Chris Hotham - Deputy Secretary Infrastructure, Department of Health and

Human Services - City Deal, Melton Hospital - dated 16 December 2020



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Dear Mayor

I write to you in response to the former Mayor's letter of 31 August 2020 to the former Minister for Health, Jenny Mikakos, regarding the launch of the North West Melbourne City Deal ('City Deal'). As the letter refers to my area of responsibility, the former Mayor's letter has been referred to me for response.

The letter noted several Melton projects in the City Deal, including the new Melton Hospital for which government had recently commissioned a business case.

I am pleased to share that, as part of the Victorian Budget 2020/21, the Andrews Government is providing \$75 million towards the purchase of land and detailed capital planning and early works for a new Melton Hospital.

The government recognises that the Melton growth corridor is one of the fastest growing areas in Victoria and this first stage of funding will ensure the new hospital can meet the healthcare needs of the local community.

The Victorian Health and Human Services Building Authority will work in consultation with Melton City Council to ensure the new Melton Hospital's design and planning works align with council policies and plans. The Department of Health and Human Services is also actively considering the broader health and community services needs of the City of Melton as the population of the West grows.

I trust this information has been of assistance. Should you wish to discuss these matters further, please contact Marina Henley on Marina.Henley@dhhs.vic.gov.au

Yours sincerely

Chris Hotham Deputy Secretary Infrastructure

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