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Mr Richard Alcock AO
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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Richard,

Briefing for meeting on St Joseph's Hospital

Please find attached a briefing on the challenges and opportunities at St Joseph's Hospital ahead of our meeting on 14 July. For your information, I will be joined at the meeting by:

- Mr Toby Hall, Group CEO St Vincent's Health Australia
- A/Professor Anthony Schembri, CEO St Vincent's Health Network

As I said to you when asking for this meeting I am not looking for a detailed response to any of the proposals discussed between the two organizations over many years, but more a sense of whether this facility has come to the end of its use for WSLHD and whether my board needs to take the difficult decision to repurpose the site altogether. This will be a very difficult and emotional direction for the Sisters of Charity who have such a long association with Auburn, but a realistic hospital future is clearly dependent on the active support of WSLHD and its board – and through you the long term commitment of the Government.

I trust this briefing provides useful context for our discussion and I look forward to discussing with you further. Should you require any other briefing information, please do not hesitate to contact me – or if Graeme wants any clarification I know he will raise it with Anthony at [REDACTED] or on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

Paul McClintock AO
Chair
St Vincent's Health Australia

Date: 6th July 2020