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Queensland State Election Candidates Visit Noosa Hospital

Four candidates contesting the seat of Noosa in the 2009 Queensland State Election visited Noosa Hospital today for a briefing session on the hospital and to tour the facilities.

Steve Haines (Greens); Cate Molloy (Independent); Brian Stockwell (ALP) and Glen Elmes (LNP) accepted the invitation from John Crossley, Chairman of Noosa Hospital's Community Board of Advice.

Mr Crossley said the purpose of the visit was to provide the candidates with a background on the hospital (due to its unique Public/Private Partnership nature) and to give candidates the opportunity to tour the facility, meet the hospital's Community of Board Advice members and some of the hospital staff.

Noosa Hospital has been providing services to the Sunshine Coast community and the region's many interstate and international visitors since 1999. The hospital is a 92 bed facility offering hospital services in cooperation with Queensland Health under a private/public partnership model.

The hospital provides a range of services including:

- Surgery
- Medicine
- Intensive Care
- Emergency Care
- Day Oncology and Renal Dialysis, and;
- Specialist and Allied Health Outpatient Clinics

The hospital's Community Board of Advice ("Community Board") was formed when the hospital opening in 1999. The role of the Community Board is to represent community views in relation to the health care needs and expectations of the hospital. Importantly, the Community Board acts as a link to the community to relay information about the hospital, its direction and operations. The Community Board also assists in the governance of affairs within the hospital.

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