

# Yackandandah Health Limited

## Board Meeting Summary

Thursday, 20 August 2026 | 11:00 AM (AEST) | Virtual Meeting

*Prepared for the Yackandandah Community*

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The Board of Yackandandah Health Limited (YHL) met on 20 August 2026 to review progress across Yackandandah Health's services, consider future opportunities and continue its focus on strong community engagement, quality care and the long-term sustainability of local services. This summary shares the key highlights from that meeting with our community.

### Community engagement and communication

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The Board welcomed the ongoing contribution of Wellbeing Advocacy Yackandandah (WAY) and discussed opportunities to continue sharing positive stories and developments from Yackandandah Health with the broader community. WAY continues to provide an important avenue for community feedback and engagement, with regular communication between YHL, WAY and Apollo Care supporting the sharing of information and coordination of local initiatives.

### Little Yacks continues to strengthen

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The Board received a positive update on Little Yaks, with occupancy reaching its highest level since Apollo Care commenced management of the service. This is an encouraging development and supports the ongoing sustainability of this important community service.

The Board also noted a leadership transition at the centre, with an experienced internal team member stepping into the leadership role. Compliance performance remains positive, with preparations for the next accreditation process to commence later in the year.

### Improvements for Residents

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Planning for the proposed refurbishment of the Memory Support Unit, Poppy Place, continues to progress. The project is intended to create an improved environment for residents, with design and planning work now well advanced.

Importantly, consultation will form part of the next stage. Plans are expected to be presented to the Consumer Advisory Committee, WAY Committee members and other relevant community stakeholders before the project is finalised.

The Board is also taking a longer-term view of Yackandandah Health's independent living accommodation and future retirement living opportunities, with specialist expertise now supporting consideration of how these assets can best serve the wider community into the future.

## **Supporting Community Safety**

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Recognising Yackandandah's location within a bushfire-risk area, the Board discussed the importance of ensuring residents, families and the community understand the emergency arrangements in place.

Yackandandah Health has established fire and emergency protocols, and a concise community briefing will be developed to provide greater information and reassurance about the arrangements that would apply in the event of a significant bushfire or other emergency.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, 20 November 2026**