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Ms VAMVAKINOU (Calwell) (16:36): On Friday it was my very great pleasure, in my electorate, to do the sod-turning for the new superclinic that will be built in Broadmeadows by Dianella Community Health. This superclinic is a \$7.5 million contribution from the Commonwealth, from the previous Labor government. I know there is a lot being said about superclinics at the moment and their value is being questioned, but I just want to put on record that in relation to my own electorate—and to Broadmeadows, in particular—it almost constantly features in statistics for all sorts of issues.

The availability of health-care services, allied health and specialist services has always been a problem in Broadmeadows. Despite and in spite of the rhetoric that is coming from the current health minister about the value of superclinics, my electorate is absolutely over the moon at the prospect of having this super-duper new clinic that will provide a wonderful service to the people of Broadmeadows. It is a service that has been a long time coming. Broadie missed out on a public hospital many years ago and we see this as it finally being given the opportunity to address that problem. So three cheers for the Broadmeadows superclinic and I look forward to opening it in due course.