

Community Update - August 2018

Builders on board for new Health Service

The new Cobar Health Service has been given planning approval enabling the redevelopment project to move forward.

In further good news, the contract for the construction works for the project has been awarded to Hutchinson Builders. "Hutchies" have delivered over 200 health projects, and are also working on redevelopments at Broken Hill, Bowral and Cairns hospitals.

Pictured below is local MP Kevin Humphries making the announcements in Cobar recently with Health Service staff and Chair of the Health Council, Gordon Hill.



With these two milestones now ticked off, early construction activities are expected to begin within the next couple of months.

The Cobar Health Service redevelopment project includes constructing a new Health Service, colocated with the existing Lilliane Brady Village which provides the residential aged care.

Given the size of this project and the staging required to work in with and continue to deliver the existing health services, the project is expected to be completed in 2020. *"…early construction activities are expected to begin within the next couple of months."*

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What's included in the new Cobar Health Service?

The new Cobar Health Service will provide the following services to the Cobar community:

- 10 acute/subacute beds, that can be used flexibly including for palliative care
- 44 residential aged care places at the existing Lilliane Brady Village
- Respite care provided by the residential aged care
- Emergency care service
- A satellite renal dialysis unit, with capacity for up to four chairs in the future
- A range of primary and community health services including dental
- Outpatient services and ambulatory care services
- Clinical and operational support services
- Remote Access Program telehealth service
- Four staff accommodation units

Want more info?

Project information boards are displayed at the Cobar Health Service, Lilliane Brady Village, Cobar Shire Council, and the Cobar Library.

To keep up to date and read previous newsletters and media stories about the Cobar Health Service redevelopment project please visit:

<u>http://www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/</u> <u>Projects/Cobar</u>

Consultation kicks off on Aboriginal courtyard

As part of the redevelopment project, an Aboriginal courtyard will be developed at the new Cobar Health Service.

The courtyard intends to provide a culturally significant area for the community and Aboriginal people.

To develop the design for the courtyard a local working group has been established and is providing feedback to the landscape architect engaged on the overall project.

Pictured below are participants from the working group at a recent meeting at the Health Service.

We look forward to sharing the courtyard design with the community when it is completed. The courtyard will then be created in line with the construction timeline for the overall redevelopment project.



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