

MURRUMBURRAH-HARDEN HEALTH SERVICE REDEVELOPMENT

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REDEVELOPMENT NEARING COMPLETION

The Murrumburrah-Harden Health Service Redevelopment is nearing completion with the new staff accommodation units operational and the landscaped gardens taking shape. The final stages of works, which followed the opening of the Health Service in August 2020, also included the demolition of the community health building. Thank you to staff and the community for your understanding while these final works are being completed.

As part of the heritage interpretation plan, salvaged bricks from the old Hospital were incorporated into the landscaped gardens. Original plaques and the foundation stone, salvaged from the old Hospital, were laid to recognise the continuing importance of the health service to the community (pictured, right). The old heritage Hospital sign was also erected.

Many features of the new health facility, both inside and out, have been designed to provide therapeutic benefits for patients and visitors. The landscaping includes an Aboriginal courtyard garden, a resident



garden and courtyards. Inside, much-loved artwork, donated to the hospital over the years, has been reframed and will be hung for the enjoyment of all.



Community support Hospital Auxiliary at brick giveaway

Thanks to the generous donors from the community who supported the Hospital Auxiliary with a donation for bricks collected at the heritage brick giveaway event held in late November.

Staff, past and present, and the community collected their own unique piece of Murrumburrah-Harden hospital memorabilia, a keepsake brick from the old hospital building as well as a limited edition postcard with images and information about the old Murrumburrah-Harden Hospital and the new Health Service.

Left: Kerry Menz, Robyn Apps and Nikki Bolger collecting a heritage brick at the giveaway event



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PROGRESS IN PICTURES



Above: A view of the Health Service nearing completion in late January 2021



Above: A view of the Health Service under construction in late 2019

Delivering the new Health Service: employment opportunities



The Redevelopment project has also provided direct jobs for over 400 people, led by contractor Richard Crookes Constructions.

Local companies engaged during construction of the new Health Service included bricklayers, cleaners, roofing, earth moving, joiners and concreters.

Regional businesses from Wagga Wagga, Tumut, Orange and Queanbeyan were also engaged in supplying trades, goods and services such as fire protection, the commercial kitchen, steel framing, and aluminium windows and doors, to the project.

Thanks to all the companies involved for their hard work and commitment to the project.