

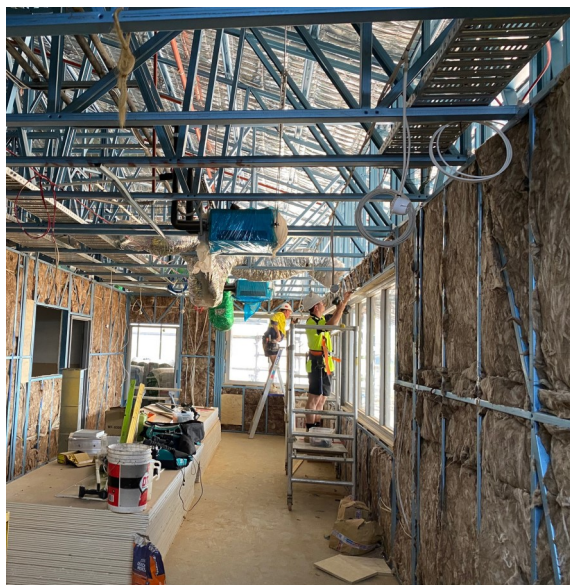
## Project update - internal works progressing well

Now that the roof sheeting is complete Richard Crookes Constructions are busy working inside the new health service building. Work is well underway with the fitting of electrical, air-conditioning and communication services, as well as plastering and joinery installation.

Later this month the project team will meet with interested community members and schools to discuss involvement in arts projects to support the opening of the new hospital building.

We are well on track for project completion this year, and will keep the community posted with dates for the transfer of services and when the new health service will be operational.

We look forward to giving the community a sneak peak into the new health service too - watch this space.



*Waiting room under construction*



*View of the new Hospital building from the air, late January*

### BUILDING YOUR NEW HOSPITAL

#### Fast Facts

- 186 rooms in the new building
- 3300 square metres of roofing sheets
- 128 window panes installed
- 231 doors
- 600m of metal air-conditioning ducts
- 20,000m of power cable
- 25,000m of data and security cable
- 3,000m of fire cable



#### Tradies at work

The site is a hub of activity, here's an example of the workers on-site one busy January day:

- 6 roofers
- 3 carpenters
- 18 electricians
- 12 mechanical contractors
- 4 bricklayers
- 10 drywall lining plasterers
- 4 site managers
- 4 plumbers



### Outcome of last year's community consultation

In November 2019 we held information sessions to provide the community with an update on the redevelopment project. The sessions were attended by 11 people and comments included:

- \* "the building construction is progressing quickly"
- \* "can local and native plants be used in the garden"
- \* "can some of the outdoor space be used for an outdoor staff area"

It was also an opportunity for the community to discuss the future of what will become redundant buildings, and the intention to demolish these buildings once services are moved from the existing hospital to the new facility. The comments received about the old buildings focused on the current poor condition and no opposition to demolition was received.

The buildings are aged and as they are not required for health service delivery by Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD), will be demolished as part of the redevelopment project's scope of works. All health services including Community Health will be delivered from the new health service.

The MLHD have also consulted with Hilltops Shire Council on the future use of the existing hospital building. Hilltops Shire Council indicated they support the intention to demolish the buildings.

As the new facility is built on a higher position than the old, it means residents will get to enjoy more extensive views from the new Residential Aged Care rooms and living area. The intention is to retain this land around the facility to provide outdoor spaces for residents, patients, visitors and staff to enjoy.



*Above: Steph Cooke MP visited site in November 2019 and met with Health Infrastructure's Nicolas di Condo, Facility Manager Kerry Menz and David Archbold from Richard Crookes Constructions*



### Giving back to the community

#### Richard Crookes Constructions builds BMX track

After being approached by Trinity School to attend a fundraising event to raise money for a BMX track, Richard Crookes Constructions (RCC) instead offered to design, plan and construct the entire project.

One weekend in mid-December a bobcat, roller, truck, excavator and numerous volunteers brought the project to life. They were watched on and supported by kids and teachers, and treated to a lunch and refreshing drinks.

Volunteers who deserve a special mention for their time are RCC's Mark Gawthorpe and James Whyatt, Zac Leitner and Quinton Brookes from Leitner Excavations,

Rodney Cooper and Charlie Lucas from the Trinity School. Thanks also to Leitner Excavations and Coates Hire for equipment hire and Tegra for the contribution of granite.