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BARHAM MPS PROGRESS REPORT

The demolition of Eliza House paves the way for the construction of the new Barham Multipurpose Service (MPS) acute facility which is due for completion in 2020.

The first stage has seen the refitting of the former operating suite wing to create new temporary Residential Aged Care (RAC) rooms and amenities. Residents have moved into their new temporary home-like accommodation. This stage has included the demolition of Eliza House.

NEXT STEPS IN THE MPS DEVELOPMENT

The next step in the construction of the Barham MPS is the commencement of earthworks or "ground stripping" for the main hospital build to prepare the site for construction.

Essential services such as water, power and gas need to be installed during this period.

Once the new MPS is complete and relocation of the service has occurred the final works on the site will include the demolition of the old hospital building along with external works and the construction of staff accommodation.





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Barham Medical Trust Chair Peter Membrey and Trust Secretary Kerry Stirling.



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BARHAM MEDICAL TRUST

The Local Health Medical Trust of Barham is a pivotal part of the health precinct in Barham and surrounds. Made-up of volunteers, it manages the community-owned Barham and District Medical Centre.

Trust Chair Peter Membrey said the centre was developed in response to the need for improved medical and local health facilities.

"The Trust's vision has always been to improve the health, economic and social environments of the local community," Mr Membrey said.

"The Trust works to increase retention rates of general practitioners and provide community members with increased access to health care and specialist services."

The latest of these services being considered is a dental service for Barham.

Mr Membrey said the Trust is always sourcing funding for more upgrades and extensions to the medical centre as well as administering the Local Medical Student Scholarship scheme.

A STAGED APPROACH

The construction of the Barham MPS will be completed in stages. A staged approach ensures all current clinical services will be maintained.

The Barham MPS Residential Aged Care residents moved into their new temporary rooms and amenities in May this year.

These rooms are fully furnished with a bed, bedside table, over bed table, recliner chair, TV, desk and built-in wardrobe.



One of the new temporary Residential Aged Care rooms.

