

### Frames are up, up and away!

Despite some hot weather and a short break over the Christmas and New Year period, Hutchies have been busy pushing on with the construction of the new Cobar Health Service.

The build is well and truly on track, with the majority of the frames up, and roof sheeting installed on some parts of the new health service building, as seen in the below photo.

Work is also occurring on the existing Lilliane Brady Village, to connect to mains infrastructure and in-ground services, with concrete to be poured on the extension in February.



### Local drought funds raised

In December Hutchies teamed up with the Cobar Rotary Club to raise funds for local drought relief.

Hutchies site manager, Greg Aird, who is pictured with President of the Rotary Club, Tony Punzet, said they wanted to use their site Christmas party to raise funds to support the local community.

“We engaged the Cobar Rotary Club to cook the BBQ and with our raffles we raised \$525 for the Cobar Rotary, exceeding our target,” said Greg.

The funds are being used to buy food parcels and other items that will be distributed to local farmers. Anyone wishing to make donations can contact Rotary via their Facebook site or by emailing [cobar@rotary9670.org.au](mailto:cobar@rotary9670.org.au).



## What's coming to your new Cobar Health Service

Service	Current	Following the redevelopment
<i>Acute/subacute beds</i>	10 acute beds	10, including respite and palliative beds care that can be used flexibly
<i>Residential aged care places (at the existing Lilliane Brady Village)</i>	34	44
<i>Respite care</i>	Of the 34 current beds at LBV, there is 1 respite bed.	To be continue to be provided by the residential aged care
<i>Emergency care</i>	1 treatment bay	1 treatment bay
<i>Renal</i>	2 bays	Four chair level 3 (Satellite) unit with capacity for four chairs/dialysis ports
<i>Primary &amp; Community services</i>	Separate to the facility	Included under the facility roof line with specialised rooms for Mental Health, treatment room and immunisation fridges will be on auto-generator
<i>Outpatient services and ambulatory services</i>	Provide limited ambulatory care clinic and HITH. Specialist outreach.	Increased capacity to increase ambulatory care clinic and HITH model. More capacity to increase specialist outreach services.
<i>Staff accommodation</i>	4 small units	Four staff accommodation units

The new Cobar Health Service will not only be a more modern facility, there will be expanded renal, primary and community, and ambulatory care services. There will also be additional residential aged care beds at the adjoining Lilliane Brady Village.

### More info?

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

[www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/Projects/Cobar](http://www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/Projects/Cobar)

## Beating the heat on site

It's summer and it's hot! To manage the heat risk on the construction site, Hutchies have implemented a number of strategies including daily toolbox chats, periodic checks throughout the day, installation of a hydration station with cover, an ice machine, water coolers for workers to fill up their drink bottles, and camel packs for workers (as per the photo).

