

### Lightning Ridge's new Multipurpose Health Service

Lightning Ridge residents can look forward to a new health facility under the NSW Government's \$304 million Multipurpose Service (MPS) program, with work underway on site.

The redevelopment at Lightning Ridge will provide a new building adjacent to the current MPS building with significantly improved treatment efficiency and patient experience that will support a broad range of primary and community services to better meet the needs of the surrounding area.

The new expanded health facility is forecast to be completed in late 2020.

### What can you expect?

In addition to the existing MPS services including a Level 1 emergency department service, 24 hour on call general practitioner (GP) services, acute care beds and aged care residential beds, the expanded Lightning Ridge MPS will deliver:

- improved collaboration between services for patients with complex healthcare needs
- improved integration with the existing services at Lightning Ridge Health Service, Far West Division of General Practice and visiting specialist services
- a new building for the community health team to provide contemporary models of care.
- a venue for Lightning Ridge to attract new services or activities.



*Artist impression of Lightning Ridge's new MPS facility.*



Walgett Council Mayor, Manuel Martinez, A/General Manager Michael Urquhart with the Project Team Members on site.

## Council Tours Site

As work starts on site, the project team recently hosted Walgett Council Mayor, Manuel Martinez and the A/General Manager, Michael Urquhart for a tour of the project site.

They were pleased to hear about this investment in health infrastructure, the project and what it will deliver.

## Parking

You will notice changes to the parking at the current entrance to the hospital.

Please refer to the parking directions and look out for pedestrians.



## Nurses quarters

The first stage of the project is the removal of the current nurses quarters. Unfortunately the current buildings could not be repurposed or salvaged due to the condition of the buildings.

Three brand new nurses quarters will be located at the rear of the Multipurpose Health Service.

## Need more info?

Look out for future newsletters, view information board displayed in the current facility or visit

[http://www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/  
projects/lightning-ridge](http://www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/projects/lightning-ridge)



Removal of the nurse accommodation