



The Blayney Multipurpose Service (MPS) is undergoing a major redevelopment as part of the NSW Government's \$297 million Multipurpose Service Program to deliver health facilities across rural and remote NSW.

The new modern facility will improve health and aged care services for the people of Blayney and will be built on the existing hospital site.

The planning phase for the redevelopment is complete and the Concept Design was released in December 2022.

The early works construction of a temporary carpark is now also complete.

Completed temporary carpark



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Schematic Design unveiled

The Schematic Design for the Blayney MPS Redevelopment has now been announced, providing the Blayney community with a detailed look at the latest designs.

The Schematic Design showcases a 3D-view of the front of the new building (see page 1) as well as a floor plan (see below) detailing the internal areas of the expanded health facilities including the residential aged care wing, inpatient unit, emergency department, visitor reception, and the expanded HealthOne.

Health Infrastructure Executive Director for Regional and Rural projects, Amanda Bock said the latest design and artist impressions provide further insight into what their new and expanded health facility will look like when completed.

“The redeveloped Blayney MPS isn’t just a health facility – it’s also a home to those living in the residential aged care wing,” Ms Bock said.

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“The feedback from patients, staff, residents, their families, and the broader community has been integral in shaping this new health facility which will improve access to health and aged care services by better connecting the residential aged care, the hospital, and HealthOne .”

Ms Bock said feedback from earlier consultation on the concept design for the redevelopment resulted in some changes which have been reflected in the latest design, including the emergency department and inpatient unit which will be located closer together.

“The new palliative care suite will be enhanced and a carer’s lounge with access to a screened courtyard will also be delivered, which can be used as either a shared or private space for families and loved ones to gather,” Ms Bock said.

Landscaping and courtyards are important elements of the design and have also been further developed.

“Outdoor spaces will provide a therapeutic environment for residents and patients as they receive treatment and care, while also providing opportunities for staff, families and visitors to enjoy natural light, sunshine and shade,” Ms Bock said.

“Based on community feedback, we are providing access from most of the residential aged care bedrooms to courtyards which will provide direct access to landscaped areas for the residents, as well as a number of an interconnected room for couples”.

The construction of the new health facility alongside the existing MPS will be staged to ensure minimal disruption to residents and patients, with no changes expected to the delivery of clinical services.

Arts Working Group exploring the integration of arts

Exposure to the arts has many benefits for the health and wellbeing of patients and consumers.

Arts in health is particularly important in rural aged care settings and environments like the Blayney Multipurpose Service.

A local Arts Working Group was recently established to drive the integration of arts into the project design, meeting for the first time in June to start this process.

With the support of Health Infrastructure’s innovative Arts in Health program, the group is exploring how arts can help deliver welcoming, dynamic, and culturally appropriate spaces for patients, residents and their families, staff and the community.

The Arts Working Group will continue to meet regularly over the next months to ensure art is considered in the project design so that the indoor and outdoor spaces complement health service delivery and reflect local communities.

Engagement with stakeholders informing design

The Blayney MPS Redevelopment project team has a strong commitment to stakeholder engagement in delivering community-focused health infrastructure, improving healthcare delivery and enhancing the overall patient and resident experience.

Consultation and engagement with local stakeholders, including MPS staff, residents and carers, Blayney MPS Health Council, Blayney Shire Council, and the general community, including Aboriginal people has been ongoing since the early planning stage of the project. To date the project team have held over 25 consultation sessions in the community, reaching hundreds of local people.

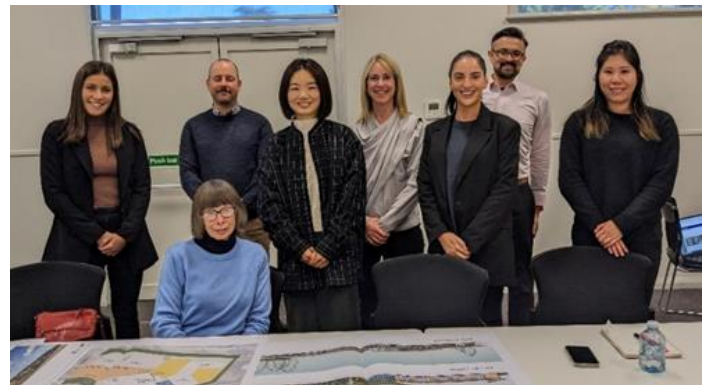
Project User Groups (PUGs) made up of members of the project team, clinical and non-clinical staff, consumers, and carers, have also now been completed, ensuring a diverse range of insights, views and opinions have been considered during the planning and design process.

Feedback from the PUGs and other stakeholders has been used to inform the design to ensure it best meets the needs of staff and the community.

The project team will hold its next round of consultation at a series of sessions in July where people will have the opportunity to view and comment on the Schematic Design.

Next steps

The next step for the project is the planning approval process and the submission of the Business Case. This will be followed by a call for tender for main works in September 2023, with the successful contractor expected to be announced in December 2023.



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