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NEW FACILITY OFFERS HEALTHCARE AND CONVENIENCE FOR THE BLAYNEY COMMUNITY

New artist impressions for the Blayney Multipurpose Service (MPS) facility have been unveiled today, showcasing the expanded health facilities designed to support recovery, well-being and compassionate care.

Member for Bathurst Paul Toole said the concept design shows the vision for the new health facility, which will centralise residential aged care, hospital, HealthOne and reception at the Osman Street site.

"The concept images build on the master plan and highlights the welcoming and contemporary new health facility which has been shaped by community and staff feedback," Mr Toole said.

"The project will bring high quality health and aged care services closer to home and ensure the Blayney MPS can continue to meet local health care needs for years to come."

The Blayney MPS redevelopment is a part of the NSW Government's \$297 million Multipurpose Services Program which is delivering improved access to health and aged care services for communities in rural and remote NSW.

The new Blayney MPS includes:

- Individual bedrooms in the residential aged care wing, offering improved amenity and a more homelike environment for residents
- Easy wayfinding, with a single 'front door' to replace the three existing entries
- Increased space for inpatients and additional treatment chairs
- An expanded HealthOne
- A new drop-off and parking area.
- Courtyards and landscaping

Western NSW Local Health District Chief Executive Mark Spittal said planning was progressing well.

"We've already consulted with more than 200 staff, residents, patients and community members to make sure the new health facility considers their needs, and we will continue to consult and keep people informed every step of the way," Mr Spittal said.

"Project users groups with staff and community representatives will continue to meet over the next few months to refine the design."

Early works are scheduled to begin in early 2023.

The Blayney MPS redevelopment is part of the NSW Government's record \$11.9 billion investment in health infrastructure over four years to 2025-26, with nearly a third of the capital allocation in this financial year going towards regional and rural health facilities.

Since 2011, the NSW Government has delivered more than 180 health capital projects across NSW, with more than 130 projects currently underway – of those, more than 90 are in rural and regional areas.

For more information about the Blayney MPS project, visit: https://www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/