Bowral & District Hospital



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The NSW Government has committed \$65 million for the redevelopment of Bowral & District Hospital. This funding will deliver a new clinical services building with 94 beds by mid-2020 to improve patient and staff amenities.

The new building will deliver modern facilities including new theatres, adult and paediatric inpatient wards, birthing suites, more single rooms with ensuites, rehabilitation spaces and a new emergency department entrance and treatment spaces.

Since 2013, there have been a number of changes to improve health care delivery including new models of care and advancements in treatment technologies, which sees more patients spending less time in hospital.

In April 2018, five community information sessions were hosted by the South Western Sydney Local Health District and Health Infrastructure to inform the Environmental Impact Statement and planning application. These sessions were widely advertised and were organised after hours on week days and weekends in five different locations across the Southern Highlands.

Parking onsite and in the surrounding areas is regularly reviewed and we will continue to monitor the car parking needs of our patients, their visitors and our staff.

A key milestone of the redevelopment was achieved May this year, with a new car park opening. There are 20 more car spaces in this section of the car park, an increase to 31 spaces from the original 11 spaces.

In addition, a number of improvements were also made to the flow of traffic as well as better lighting and access to the car park from Mona Road making it safer for patients, staff and visitors.

At the completion of the redevelopment there will be an extra 16 parking spaces in total. We are continually reviewing parking and hospital access to ensure minimal disruption during the redevelopment project.

The Clinical Services Plan is a planning document that is updated on a regular basis to reflect changes in the community's health care needs, population growth and demographics. Comprehensive planning has been undertaken with senior clinicians, staff and members of the community to ensure the hospital will meet the health care needs of the community. The investment for Bowral & District Hospital is part of a record \$550 million health infrastructure boom for country NSW, transforming regional and rural health care and we are excited for our community and thank you for raising these issues with us.

Kind regards

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