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BATEMANS BAY COMMUNITY HEALTH
AERIAL VIEW FROM PACIFIC STREET

Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and Batemans Bay Community Health project update

The Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and Batemans Bay Community Health projects are moving ahead to support a stronger, expanded healthcare system for our community.

The new hospital and community health service will work together to ensure our community always has access to the right health care in the right place at the right time.

Read about the latest news and developments on the two projects in this update.

Batemans Bay Community Health – first look at designs

New designs for the new Batemans Bay Community Health facility have been unveiled showcasing the modern, integrated, and convenient healthcare service that will be delivered to support local communities across the Batemans Bay area.

The artist impressions provide a first look at the new facility including the new building, carpark, landscaping, pathways and external seating areas.

The health facility design has been informed by extensive feedback and consultation with health professionals, staff, patients, Aboriginal community representatives and the wider Batemans Bay community.









Community feedback has been valuable in shaping the development including connecting to surrounding nature and green spaces, incorporating design elements identified by Local First Nations community members, and improving accessibility for families, elderly people and people with specialist needs and abilities.



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Batemans Bay Community Health is being designed to meet the health care needs of the local community and provide improved local access to a range of services such as:

	Allied Health		Community nursing and wound management
	Child, Youth and Family Care		Palliative care
	Women's Health		Aboriginal Health
	Sexual Health		Mental Health, Drug & Alcohol

The community health facility will be built on the existing Batemans Bay Hospital site and close to the Medicare Urgent Care Clinic, providing the community with easy access between the two services.

The service will use the latest technology and models of care to deliver patient-centred health services close to home and will work together with the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital to ensure the local community can always access high quality healthcare no matter where they live.

Visit the project website to view the artist impressions: www.hinfra.health.nsw.gov.au/bbch

Community feedback shaping Batemans Bay Community Health

Health service staff, stakeholders and the community were invited to provide feedback on the new Batemans Bay Community Health facility in early 2024.

We spoke with more than 350 staff, stakeholders and community members, whose feedback is helping us design a facility that is right for them and the Batemans Bay community.

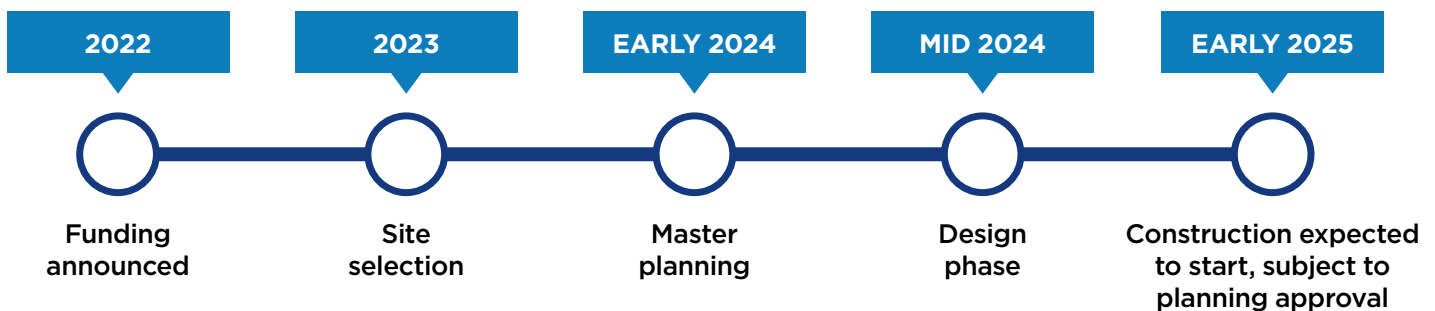
We thank everyone who provided feedback.



Read an overview of the consultation activities and feedback in the [Batemans Bay Community Health Consultation Outcomes Report - April 2024](#).

Project timeline

What is the anticipated project timeline?



Eurobodalla Regional Hospital development application finalised

Construction of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital has been given the greenlight with the State Significant Development Application (SSDA) approved for the project.

With the assessment and approval of the SSDA, the project team can proceed with appointing the main works contractor, marking a significant milestone to kickstart construction of the new hospital.

Work to establish the site in preparation for construction will begin soon and include the installation of site sheds, preparation of erosion and sediment basins, and construction of an ancillary road to facilitate access into the site.

Planning has also commenced for the construction of the new roundabout on the Princes Highway which will be the main access point for all public and hospital vehicles, including ambulances.



Visit the [Eurobodalla Regional Hospital website](#) to find out more.



Meet the Expert - Dr Luke Mitchell

In this new series we sit down with team members from the Eurobodalla Health Service to find out what they are most looking forward to and why they are excited about the new hospital.

This month, you'll meet Dr Luke Mitchell, Clinical Lead for the Moruya Hospital Close Observation Unit and a GP Anaesthetist.

Luke's been part of the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Project User Groups and Change Action Groups developing the new hospital's ICU.

Luke says he's most excited about delivering the new eight-bed, level 4 ICU.

"It's the first time we'll have an ICU in the Eurobodalla which will

significantly improve the level of care we can provide for the local community," says Luke.

"The higher-level intensive care services will facilitate more complex surgeries and medical management, which will help to attract specialist doctors and nurses to work and live here."



[Read our interview with Luke and watch his video here.](#)



Unearthing history: The first step to building a hospital

When preparing sites for hospital development projects, NSW Health works with archaeologists and local Aboriginal community groups to unearth artifacts on-site.

We work with Aboriginal community members and groups during the excavation process to learn about the cultural history of the land and the significance of artefacts discovered. It is an important first step in our construction projects.

An archaeological salvage process commenced on the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital site in April 2023, unearthing close to 2,400 artefacts including sharpened silcrete, chert and quartz as well as flakes, cores, and tools.

All items uncovered have been documented and a plan is being made for their future care and management.

Collaboration between NSW Health and local Aboriginal communities is supporting knowledge sharing and discussions about what will happen next with the discovered items.

This important work and early archaeological studies support the ongoing planning for the new hospital, which will start construction in coming weeks once the main works contractor has been appointed.



Find out more about our projects

Keep up to date with all the latest project news by visiting our websites, which includes Frequently Asked Questions.

- Eurobodalla Regional Hospital eurobodallahs.health.nsw.gov.au
- Batemans Bay Community Health hinfra.health.nsw.gov.au/bbch

Also, keep an eye on Southern NSW Local Health District's Facebook and Instagram social media channels for the latest updates.

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