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REVEALED: NEXT STAGES OF DUBBO HOSPITAL'S TRANSFORMATION

Deputy Premier and Member for Dubbo Troy Grant and Health Minister Jillian Skinner today unveiled the schematic design and fly-through for the next stages of Dubbo Hospital's major redevelopment.

Mr Grant and Mrs Skinner visited Dubbo Hospital to unveil the schematic plans and artist's impressions of the \$150 million Stages 3 & 4 redevelopment. They also announced an integrated cancer centre will be built with the Stages 3 & 4 redevelopment.

Stage 3 - a new inpatient unit - will be built above the Clinical Services Building. Construction is expected to begin early next year.

Stage 4 will replace the existing emergency department and existing medical imaging unit. It will include a new emergency department and short-stay unit, new medical imaging unit, new critical care floor (comprising coronary care/stroke and intensive care units and a cardiac catheterisation laboratory), new ambulatory care unit, new renal unit, new main entrance, drop-off zone and extra car parking.

As part of the planning for the new integrated cancer centre, the location of the expanded oncology unit and upgraded women's and community health services will be reviewed to get the best configuration of the Dubbo Health Service.

The Stages 3 & 4 redevelopment follows the \$91.3 million Stages 1 & 2 construction of the new Clinical Services Building, which was officially opened in January this year and includes six new operating theatres, a maternity inpatient ward, a birthing suite and a day-only ward for surgical services.

"I visited Dubbo Hospital many times in Opposition and it was the first hospital I visited when I became Health Minister. Its transformation is a source of deep satisfaction - and it is a great story being repeated at hospital rebuilding projects across NSW," Mrs Skinner said

Mr Grant said: "The community is rightly proud of Dubbo Hospital, which has always had fantastic staff and a great spirit and, under the Liberals & Nationals Government, is receiving first-class infrastructure to match".

“I’m particularly proud that Stages 3 & 4 will include an integrated cancer centre so cancer patients can get the very best medical care on their doorstep when they need it the most.

“Now, with the release of the schematic designs, staff and other community representatives will help determine the internal layout of the facility, from the design of patients’ rooms to the type of art they would like to see incorporated.”

Project user groups to determine the detailed design will be established in Dubbo in coming months and a redevelopment roadshow will travel to Bourke, Walgett, Coonamble and Nyngan to allow these communities to have their say.

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