



EUROBODALLA REGIONAL HOSPITAL BATEMANS BAY COMMUNITY HEALTH

COMMUNITY UPDATE: JULY 2024



Construction underway on new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital

The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is on track to deliver first-class health services for the community with an official sod turn to celebrate the start of construction.

NSW Premier, Minister for Regional Health Ryan Park, and Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Health and Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland joined the team on site to mark the significant milestone.

The start of construction follows the recent approval of the State Significant Development Application and the appointment of Multiplex as the builder for the new hospital.

Read more on the [Eurobodalla Regional Hospital website](#).

The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will provide:



An Emergency Department



An eight-bed Intensive Care / Close Observation Unit



Increased access for chemotherapy and renal dialysis



Surgical and operating theatres and a day stay surgical unit



Expanded medical imaging department, including MRI service



Ambulatory care for community outpatient services



Paediatric and maternity services and a special care nursery



Mental health beds for short term admission



Enhanced education and training facilities, including a simulation lab

Eurobodalla Regional Hospital timeline



Eurobodalla Regional Hospital construction - all you need to know

The Eurobodalla Regional Hospital site has now been officially handed over to Multiplex Constructions.

Primary access to the site for all construction vehicles and machinery is via the main entry gate on the Princes Highway. All contractors and visitors to the site will need to gain authorisation from Multiplex and park within the site. No access will be available for vehicles via Albert Street.

Some changes have been made to traffic arrangements on the Princes Highway to ensure everyone's safety. These changes include a reduction in the speed limit and increased signage.

Work will be conducted between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday, and on Saturdays between 8am and 1pm. We will notify neighbours about any work that is required to take place outside of these hours.

We do not anticipate any disruption to nearby properties, access routes, or local services such as energy, gas, and water during the early works phase.

We recognise that construction work has the potential to affect our neighbours and the local community. We will continue to consult with the community as the project progresses to reduce the impact of construction on our neighbours.

To speak with a member of the project team directly, call our project information line on **1300 391 949** or email us at HI-EurobodallaHospital@health.nsw.gov.au.

Eurobodalla Health Planning Update

Eurobodalla residents are invited to come along to hear about the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and Batemans Bay Community Health from 5pm to 6.30pm on Wednesday 24 July at the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club.

The event panel will include:

- Dr Michael Holland, Member for Bega & Parliamentary Secretary for Health
- Brad Scotcher, General Manager Coastal Network, SNSWLHD
- Margaret Bennett, Chief Executive, SNSWLHD

Panel members will provide the latest information about services and planning and answer questions submitted by the community in advance.

Questions should be submitted by 5pm Monday 22 July to: SNSWLHD-YourFeedback@health.nsw.gov.au

The poster features a dark blue background with a white NSW Government logo in the top right corner. The text 'Southern NSW Local Health District' is at the top left. The main title 'Eurobodalla Health Planning Update' is in large white letters. Below the title is a photograph of a modern building with a paved walkway and trees. A circular blue badge on the right contains the event details: 'WEDNESDAY 24 JULY 5pm to 6.30pm Batemans Bay Soldiers Club'. At the bottom, a white text box invites residents to hear updates about the new hospital and community health.

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Frequently Asked Questions

When will the new hospital open?

Construction of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is expected to be completed in 2027. This will be followed by a period of operational commissioning to ensure the hospital is ready for patients, staff and visitors.

What is happening on the Princes Highway?

To support the construction of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital, changes to traffic arrangements on the Princes Highway are being implemented. These changes include a reduction in the speed limit and increased signage.

Planning is underway to construct a new roundabout off the Princes Highway. The new roundabout will be the main access from the highway to the hospital for all staff, patients and visitors.

Local residents will be consulted and informed before work begins.

Will the new hospital include a helipad?

Yes, the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will include a helipad to support the safe retrieval of patients requiring a higher level of care.

At the conclusion of the planning determination, it was identified that further design of the helipad would be required to ensure that it is equipped to meet the recent updates to NSW helipad operational standards. This updated design is currently in progress.



What transport and parking arrangements will be available at the new Hospital?

Plans for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital include more than 380 parking spaces for patients, the community and staff. This is significantly more than is currently available at the Moruya and Batemans Bay Hospitals. Space for additional car parking has also been identified to allow for possible future expansion of the hospital.

Pedestrian access is provided through the carpark via walkways. Allocated parking for persons with a disability will be close to the hospital entrance with appropriate pathways connections, crossing facilities, and resting points. There will also be drop off points at the hospital entrance.

The site of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is approximately 2km southeast of the Moruya town centre. Links into the town centre rely mainly on motorised road transport but the site will also be accessible via existing walking and bicycle paths, and public transport currently servicing the neighbouring TAFE campus and residential neighbourhood.

How has the community been involved in the planning of the new hospital?

Feedback from doctors, clinicians, staff, and the local community has played a key role in the planning and design for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital.

Throughout the planning process, the project team has been consulting with Project User Groups (PUGs) to ensure staff, patients and community representatives have input into the design of services and departments in the new build.

The project team has held regular meetings with the Eurobodalla Medical Staff Council, which includes local doctors, Visiting Medical Officers, hospital executive and staff specialists.

The Eurobodalla community has also provided extensive feedback and asked questions at a range of events and forums including town hall meetings, an online community survey, face to face meetings and drop-in information sessions. Feedback was also provided to the project team via the project website, phone number and email address.



For more Frequently Asked Questions visit our dedicated FAQs page on the project website: eurobodallahs.health.nsw.gov.au



Meet the expert - Jodie Quinnell

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 Jodie Quinnell, Manager of the Eurobodalla Community Mental Health team.

Jodie's been involved in the planning of the hospital since its inception, representing Eurobodalla mental health services in the Project User Groups, and working with the Eurobodalla Community Health to team ensure the new hospital meets the needs of everybody in our service.

Jodie says the new hospital will have a purpose-built space for community mental health that will bring a range of community mental health services together.

"We'll have spaces for groups, spaces for education, and spaces where people can meet privately and confidentially," she said.

"The new hospital includes mental health beds for short term admissions in our emergency department.

"This means that patients will be able to stay close to home for that initial contact with the mental health service while we work with them and their families to determine what they need and the best service provision."



[Read our interview with Jodie and watch her video here.](#)

What's the latest news on Batemans Bay Community Health?

The new designs for Batemans Bay Community Health were unveiled last month and we invited health service staff, stakeholders and the community to provide feedback.



ARTIST'S IMPRESSION

We spoke with 80 people at our Batemans Bay and Batehaven drop-in information sessions and answered question about the design of the new facility, the types of services it will provide, carparking and accessibility considerations, and sustainability measures.

You can read more in our updated [Batemans Bay Community Health FAQs](#).

Over coming months the project team will be working to finalise the design phase, with construction expected to commence in early 2025, subject to planning approval.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION

Find out more about our projects

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

- 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.

GET IN TOUCH

If you have any questions or would like more information, please email the project team directly:

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