

## Early and enabling works: great progress continues

The new temporary car park opened in July, marking another important milestone of the redevelopment. The car park, built for patients, visitors and staff will provide additional parking capacity and minimise disruption to operations throughout the redevelopment. The existing northern car park near the Paediatric Unit is expected to close by the end of 2021 to allow for construction of the new Hospital.

Construction continues across the campus including the temporary paediatrics unit, oxygen tank reconfiguration, the non clinical services building and temporary linkway to the existing Hospital.

The early works are forecast for completion in early 2022 ahead of main works commencing to build the new clinical services building. The completion of these early works will ensure the continued operation of the health service while the new hospital is built. There will be no disruption to health services during these works. Watch a short video explaining the early and enabling works here: [mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/GBHRedev](http://mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/GBHRedev)



Above: the new temporary car park built at the front of the hospital opened in July 2021

### State Significant Development application: update



Above: an Artist's impression of the Griffith Base Hospital clinical services building at completion

Health Infrastructure lodged the State Significant Development (SSD) application for the \$250 million Redevelopment in late April 2021.

See frequently asked questions about the SSD application process here: [bit.ly/2UJBOld](https://bit.ly/2UJBOld)

View the application and the assessment timeline on the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's major projects website at: [planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40356](http://planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40356)

## Contractor supports community organisations

During 2021 Hutchison Builders (Hutchies) have held fundraising initiatives to support local community organisations. In March they supplied the building materials and workers to build an additional garden bed at the Salvation Army for use by people staying in their short term accommodation. Other beneficiaries of fundraising efforts have included the Salvation Army, Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council, Griffith/Leeton Riding for the Disabled and Griffith Rotary.

Hutchies have also supported education and training for local youth in the area. Four Year 10 Aboriginal students from Murrumbidgee State High School completed construction-based work experience on the redevelopment site in June. In addition, local resident Rodney Gibbs has worked on site for Hutchies since early 2021. Plans are in place for Rodney to travel to Hutchies Queensland training facility to complete practical skills training, including Elevating Work Platform training later in the year.



*Above (right): Hutchison Builders present a cheque to Jackie from Riding For the Disabled - Griffith/Leeton; over \$5,000 was raised in June thanks to the generosity of businesses and workers; (left): Rodney Gibbs*

## COVID-19 and construction

Construction work at the Griffith Base Hospital Redevelopment site is continuing consistent with NSW Government advice. Keeping our hospital infrastructure projects on track with construction ongoing is essential to deliver important health facilities for NSW communities.

Health Infrastructure and its contractors follow strict workplace policies and procedures to keep workers, contractors and the local community safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The measures include mask wearing and QR code check in. Any workers who are required to work or visit the site are subject to the Public Health Order requirements currently in place.



Above: An aerial view of the Griffith Base Hospital campus taken in late July 2021

