

Toowoomba Hospital Redevelopment Project

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Planning for the region's future health needs

In 2016 Queensland Health prepared a preliminary business case for the redevelopment of Toowoomba Hospital. The preliminary business case explored several options for the redevelopment including:

- Maintaining Toowoomba's existing public hospitals
- Redeveloping the existing Toowoomba Hospital and closing the Baillie Henderson Hospital
- Redeveloping the Baillie Henderson Hospital and finding a suitable reuse for the existing Toowoomba Hospital site
- Exploring opportunities to split services across the two hospital sites.

The preliminary business case recommended redeveloping the Baillie Henderson Hospital to meet Toowoomba's future health needs.

In 2018 the Queensland Premier announced the Baillie Henderson Hospital site as the preferred site for a redeveloped Toowoomba Hospital, with a site Master Plan and a detailed business case to be developed.

Darling Downs Health is moving forward with plans to redevelop Toowoomba Hospital. The redeveloped hospital will bring world-class, innovative health care to Toowoomba and the Darling Downs region.

Toowoomba Hospital

Toowoomba Hospital has operated at its current site in Pechey Street Toowoomba since the late 1800s. The site has been redeveloped many times and its facilities expanded to service the community's health needs.



The hospital campus has buildings ranging from heritage listed through to more recent additions. The 11.3-hectare site has served Toowoomba well, but is now close to full capacity and opportunities to expand services are limited.

Baillie Henderson Hospital

The 75-hectare site located to the north of Toowoomba has a history of providing mental health services since the late 1800s. It continues to provide extended inpatient mental health services as well as housing Darling Downs Health's Executive and administrative functions, rehabilitation and overflow wards and education facilities. This site is located adjacent to the new Toowoomba second range crossing.

Detailed Business Case and Master Plan

Building Queensland is currently leading the development of a detailed business case for the redevelopment project. The detailed business case will help the Queensland Government make informed decisions about the project's final design, staging and funding.

The detailed business case will be prepared in parallel with the site's Master Plan which is being led by Darling Downs Health.

Get involved

We are committed to keeping the community informed and providing opportunities to have your say as we explore opportunities to develop a modern, innovative hospital and health precinct.

To find out more about the Toowoomba Hospital Redevelopment visit www.health.qld.gov.au/darlingdowns/newtoowoombahospital.