ATHERTON HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT

Delivering modern health facilities for the Atherton Tablelands community

Project Update - December 2018

For more information about the project; staff and community are encouraged to view the website:

Or email: atherton-redevelopment@health.qld.gov.au

Architect's Impression of new Community, Allied and Mental Health Building (view from Jack Street)
This is your opportunity to see the proposed detailed designs for two of the new buildings to be constructed as part of the Atherton Hospital Redevelopment.

For the first time the community has the chance to glimpse what the Atherton Hospital may look like in the future from the architect’s perspective.

The Atherton Hospital Redevelopment will provide a new purpose-built Clinical Services Building, including an emergency department, medical imaging, operating and endoscopy theatre, maternity and birthing and inpatient ward areas. A concept design of the new building is provided to the right.

Consultation between clinicians, hospital staff, community representatives, planners, architects and engineers has been underway to deliver a contemporary hospital for the community.

To date there has been:

- Ongoing internal engagement; reconvening user groups for detailed discussions with the architects, planning team and project champions sharing outcomes
- Site investigations to determine expected changes, timelines for the works and how these changes will impact staff and patients
- Ongoing community engagement; forming a community heritage working group, commemorating the historical significance of the site.

The existing Atherton Primary Health Centre building will be demolished to allow for construction of the new Clinical Services Building.

A new Community, Allied and Mental Health Building will be constructed on Jack Street to improve facilities for outpatients (front image).

**Key Improvements**

It is anticipated the redevelopment will provide:

- Welcoming and spacious waiting areas with comfortable family-friendly zones to cater for patients and visitors
- Improved connectivity across the hospital site
- Improved access to the helipad
- Purpose-built triage areas
- Separate ambulance access for patient privacy
- A new main hospital entrance on Louise Street enabling safe patient drop off and pick up zones, with improved mobility access and directional signage.
- 12 new single ensuited rooms (Hospital bed numbers stay at 56)
- Improved facilities for Community Health, Allied Health and Mental Health outpatients.

**Timeline**

- **Early 2018 - Late 2018:** Detailed design
- **Late 2018 - Mid 2019:** Construction planning and building contractor procurement
- **Mid 2019 - Mid 2022:** Staged construction of the new buildings, helipad, ambulance bays and site redevelopment

**Next Steps**

Industry briefings will be held in February - March 2019 to inform potential contractors about opportunities connected to the project.