

RYDE HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT

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Connecting with the community

The redevelopment team was recently out in the community sharing information about the second planning application which is due to be lodged with the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) later this year. Sessions were held at Top Ryde Shopping Centre, Eastwood, online and at Ryde Hospital. We thank everyone who stopped by to provide feedback and ask questions.

The second application will seek approval for:

- The detailed design of the redevelopment, including the façade detailing, public spaces and site access
- Demolition of buildings within the footprint of the redevelopment
- Additional car parking
- Main construction works

Once the application has been lodged, there will be an opportunity to provide feedback during the 28 day public exhibition period. Read more about the planning approval process here.







Members of the redevelopment team and Consumer Reference Group speaking with hospital staff and the community in June 2023.

Blue Gum High Forest works

Regeneration work is continuing in the Blue Gum High Forest which is expected to be completed later this year. The work includes the removal of weeds, including Lantana, to protect and preserve the unique environment and create a healthier forest. To ensure public safety while the work is in progress, areas of the forest have been temporarily sectioned off. The pathway and remainder of the forest continues to be open. You can read more about our work in the Blue Gum High Forest in our fact sheet here.



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First planning application approved

The first of two State Significant Development applications was approved by the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) in June 2023.

This is a major project milestone and allows the team to progress the early works including:

- Site establishment to clear and prepare the construction zones. This will involve the installation of hoarding and temporary fencing around work areas and installation of site amenities within the work zones for contractor use
- Removal of some trees and shrubs as approved by the Department of Planning and Environment
- Installation of a new walkway from Hospital Road to the PRP Radiology
- Demolition of buildings within the footprint of the first stage of the redevelopment.

You can view the approved plans and construction conditions here: https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/ryde-hospital-redevelopment-concept-stage-1

Have you watched the latest redevelopment video?

Ros Blewitt, a long serving staff member of Ryde Hospital and the Clinical Nurse Consultant for Critical Care, spoke with the redevelopment team about her involvement in the planning and design and what excites her most about the redevelopment.

Project user groups have brought together staff members like Ros to contribute to the design of the redeveloped hospital through active collaboration with architects, staff, and the project team. There have been over 245 project user groups and working group meetings held, with more than 120 staff members from around 25 health units and departments involved.

Watch the video here: https://youtu.be/LQpxcNNbvr0

