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MAJOR WORKS BEGIN ON MARYBOROUGH HOSPITAL

The Andrews Labor Government is getting on with its major redevelopment and expansion of Maryborough Hospital, with construction now underway.

Minister for Health Infrastructure Mary-Anne Thomas and Member for Ripon Martha Haylett today turned the first sod on the massive \$115 million project - which will see a new purpose-built facility constructed to the south of the existing hospital, marking the start of construction.

The state-of-the-art project will deliver a new urgent care centre, a 32-bed inpatient and maternity unit, two operating theatres and recovery spaces, and a day medical centre with imaging, pharmacy, and pathology services.

The modern design and layout, and co-location of health services, will improve patient flow and deliver a safer and more efficient workplace for staff and better care for patients. While new birthing suites will mean women can give birth in Maryborough, close to their family and loved ones.

The project will also deliver new consultant suites, a reception area and additional carparking ensuring that once complete, Maryborough's dedicated doctors and nurses will have the facilities they need to treat an additional 4,000 patients every year.

Delivered by the Victorian Health Building Authority (VHBA) in partnership with the Maryborough Hospital, Fairbrother Construction has been appointed to deliver the project which is on track to be completed progressively from late 2024.

The project is expected to create and sustain more than 340 local jobs during peak construction.

The Labor Government's record investment in health for Maryborough also recently delivered a new \$4 million student accommodation facility at the Maryborough Hospital.

The 20-bed facility, on the corner of Clarendon and Nightingale Streets, opened in early 2023 and is providing a comfortable and convenient place for medical, nursing and allied health students to stay during training and work placements.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Health Infrastructure Mary-Anne Thomas

"We're delivering the biggest infrastructure project in Maryborough history – ensuring local families have access to world-class healthcare, in the best possible facilities."

"A bigger and better Maryborough and District Hospital will ensure more locals can access world-class care and treatment closer to home, family and their loved ones."

Quote attributable to Member for Ripon Martha Haylett

"Our massive expansion and upgrade of the Maryborough Hospital will ensure our hardworking nurses and doctors can continue to deliver locals the care they need and deserve."

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