

# Media Release

**The Hon Colin Brooks MP**  
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Minister for Precincts  
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## A FUTURE VISION FOR THE FOOTSCRAY HOSPITAL SITE

Residents, business owners and broader community are encouraged to have their say on the future of one of the largest government-owned sites available for renewal.

Minister for Precincts Colin Brooks is seeking feedback from the community on how the existing Footscray Hospital site could be used when services move to the new state-of-the-art hospital in 2025.

The online survey is now open and local residents have until Wednesday 29 February 2024 to give feedback on how they think the site could be best used.

The survey will capture insights from people who have a connection to the area and inform what future services the community needs most.

Staff from the Department of Transport and Planning will also be available for a chat in-person about the existing Footscray Hospital site across three days at Footscray Library (November 21), Footscray Hospital café (November 16) and SloFo WeFo Farmers Market (February 10).

The new hospital is Victoria's biggest health infrastructure project to date – with the Allan Labor Government investing \$1.5 billion to deliver world-class health for Melbourne's west, replacing the existing hospital and freeing up 6.6 hectares along Gordon Street for future redevelopment.

The Labor Government is currently assessing the site to understand how to best deliver for current and emerging community needs.

The Department of Transport and Planning have been working with key stakeholders including Maribyrnong City Council, Victoria University, Western Health, Western Bulldogs, the West of Melbourne Economic Development Alliance, LEADWEST and the community.

For more information about the survey and the in-person sessions, visit [engage.vic.gov.au/footscray](https://engage.vic.gov.au/footscray).

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Precincts Colin Brooks**

*"While we are delivering the new Footscray Hospital, we are already planning for the future of the hospital site along Gordon Street – adding to our significant investments in transport, health and education within Footscray."*

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Health Infrastructure Mary-Anne Thomas**

*"The new Footscray Hospital will give Melbourne's west a world-class health facility on their doorstep – not to mention a modern, state-of-art workplace for our dedicated healthcare workers to deliver their expert care."*

### **Quote attributable to Member for Footscray Katie Hall**

*"This is an exciting opportunity for the local community to tell us what is most important to them and what they would like to see when it comes to the existing Footscray Hospital site."*

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