

Redevelopment and Expansion Project

I am pleased to announce the approval of a significant redevelopment and expansion project for Peninsula Private Hospital

The project includes:

- The construction of a 6th Operating Theatre
- Construction of a 7 bed Intensive Care Unit (ICU)
- A 13 bed extension to the surgical ward (Jacaranda)
- The construction of additional office space

The theatre and ICU facilities will allow for the introduction of Cardiothoracic Surgery to the Mornington Peninsula. The additional theatre will also create capacity for growth in other surgical specialities. The ICU will provide support for high acuity and critically ill patients across the range of specialties at the hospital.

A number of internal relocations are required to create the space to construct these new facilities:

- Relocation of the staff dining room to the 'link lounge' between Magnolia and Jacaranda Wards. The new dining facility will be operational from 4th July 2011.
- Relocation of the Supply Department to the current staff dining room. This will occur during the week commencing 4th July 2011.
- A number of staff offices and storage areas will need to be permanently or temporarily relocated also. More information about these moves will be provided in the coming weeks.

Building works will commence with demolition and preparation works on 25th July 2011. Copies of the plans will be posted around the hospital for doctors and staff to review and provide feedback.

We will be meeting with stakeholders over the coming weeks to discuss arrangements for temporary HDU beds, surgical bed management and other operational issues that will need to be addressed during the building works.

I also wish to announce that Ramsay Health Care have purchased the block of land at 7 Cranbourne Road with the view to developing a car park on the site. An application to develop 77 spaces on the site has been submitted to Frankston City Council for approval. The Car Parking Working Party will be reconvened to formulate the plan on how these spaces will be used. Once this car park is commissioned the shuttle services will cease.

We appreciate that building works in a hospital can at times be challenging but we will endeavour to minimise disruptions and look forward to the many benefits that will result at the completion of the redevelopment in February 2012.

We look forward to communicating more with you as the project progresses.

Greg Hall

Chief Executive Officer on behalf of the Executive Management Team.

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