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Media Release

Design team appointed for Milton Ulladulla Hospital upgrade

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The upgrade of Milton Ulladulla Hospital is moving ahead with a specialist team appointed to commence planning and design works.

The appointment is part of the NSW Government's \$7.5 million investment to deliver improved health services and infrastructure at Milton Ulladulla Hospital to meet the current and future healthcare needs of the local community.

The project scope and construction timeframes will be determined as part of the planning and design process and will include consultation with staff, stakeholders and the community.

In addition to the planning and design of infrastructure upgrades at Milton Ulladulla Hospital, Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District recently commenced the development of a draft Health Service Plan for the Milton Ulladulla facility.

The draft Health Service Plan will guide future health and hospital service delivery over the next 10 – 15 years at Milton Ulladulla Hospital, including responding to the changing needs of the community such as:

- Increasing demand on the Milton Ulladulla Hospital Emergency Department, particularly through the peak summer period.
- The need for appropriate service models in response to the growing ageing population.
- Increasing need for non-hospital models of care, supporting the community to stay healthy at home.
- Exploring enhanced maternity services, including birthing services, so that local women can receive care as close to home as possible.

The community will be invited to have their say on the draft Health Service Plan at community sessions planned for September this year.

The NSW Government is also delivering the more than \$780 million new Shellharbour Hospital and Integrated Services project, and the \$438 million Shoalhaven Hospital Redevelopment, making it the health hub for the entire Illawarra, reducing the need to transfer patients to Wollongong and Sydney.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Regional Health Ryan Park:

"The appointment of the project manager, architect and cost manager is an important milestone in the delivery of the upgrade of the Milton Ulladulla Hospital.

"This experienced project team will work with staff, patients and the community to ensure the improvements best meet the needs of the community."

Quotes attributable to the Member for South Coast Liza Butler:

“The Milton Ulladulla Hospital is a key regional hospital in the southern Shoalhaven, providing important healthcare services close to home.

“Consultation with the local community, including staff and stakeholders, will help guide the planning and design process for the hospital to ensure it meets our health needs now and into the future.”

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