

Main works contractor officially announced

St George Hospital has moved one step closer to the delivery of our new Ambulatory Care Building following the award of the main works construction contract to BESIX Watpac.

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Minister for Health Brad Hazzard and Member for Oatley Mark Coure visited St George Hospital on Tuesday 28 February to make the official announcement. Minister Hazzard and Minister Coure were accompanied by Mr Tobi Wilson, Chief Executive of the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District (SESLHD), Ms Ange Karooz, General Manager of St George Hospital, and representatives from Health Infrastructure and BESIX Watpac.

“The new Ambulatory Care Building will provide comprehensive services for community and out-of-hospital care, bringing together a range of new, enhanced and existing health services into the one location, right next to the St George Hospital Campus,” said Minister Hazzard.

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Changes to Kensington St access coming soon

In March 2023 we will see some major changes to the Kensington St side of the campus as main works commence for the Stage 3 Redevelopment.

The Kensington St car park will soon be converted into a construction site - this is where the new Ambulatory Care Building will eventually stand.

We are working behind the scenes to limit the disruption to hospital services, staff, patients and visitors during this time. Further details will be shared to help you navigate these changes to our campus.

What you need to know:

- The Kensington St open-air car park will be closed and demolished to make way for the Ambulatory Care Building including basement car parking.
- Pedestrian access to the hospital from the Kensington St side of the campus will be maintained via an alternative route, however entry via the main doors will be closed.
- Alternative arrangements for patient pick up & drop off zones will be communicated with staff, visitors and patients in the coming weeks.

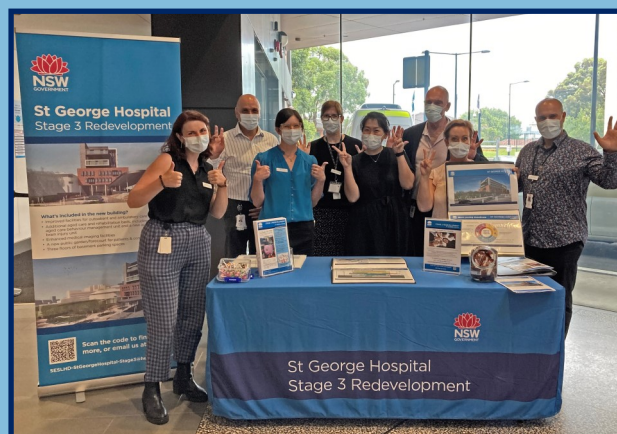
Pop-up information sessions have come to campus

The St George Hospital Redevelopment Team is holding fortnightly information sessions to keep our staff and community updated on the exciting progress of the Stage 3 Redevelopment.

Where: Kensington St

When: 10:00—11:30am

How often: Fortnightly every second Wednesday



Our Redevelopment team will help you stay up to date with the latest updates on this exciting project.

These sessions are a great opportunity to stop by for a quick chat with our friendly Redevelopment team and ask questions about the Stage 3 Redevelopment.

Hope to see you there!

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New MRI machines arrive on site

Exciting progress is happening on the St George Hospital Stage 3 Redevelopment with the arrival of two new Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machines on site.



The delivery of these machines is a major step towards the upgrade of St George Hospital's MRI services.



The new 3T and 1.5T MRI machines will be housed in the newly extended MRI Precinct in the Radiology Building 3. This is next door to the Main CT Precinct.

Now that the machines are on site, they are in the process of being installed, tested and prepared for operation.

A program of training and commissioning activities will then be undertaken by the hospital to ensure staff are equipped and supported to use the new equipment.



Above and left: the new 3T and 1.5T MRI machines are lifted onto site and delivered to be installed in their final positions within the MRI Precinct.

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We asked **John Thomas, Radiology Services Manager** to share his thoughts on how the new MRI machines will change the delivery of Radiology services at St George Hospital in future.



“The new imaging service will offer the full range of diagnostic scans for outpatient and hospital inpatients within a world-class MRI facility,” he said.

“St George Hospital will look to extend its MRI services in the near future to include Cardiac, Breast and Cancer Staging Planning imaging.”

We expect to begin welcoming patients to commence use of the new MRI services in mid-2023.



Above: our new 3T MRI machine being tested by Siemens as part of operational commissioning

Below: patient bays and changing rooms in the new MRI Precinct

Left: MRI machine is crane lifted in to the site



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