

Building a Modern Health Facility for Tasmanians

Welcome to the new RHH Redevelopment project!

During 2014, the Rescue Taskforce was commissioned to resolve some outstanding issues facing the project so a new health facility called K-Block could be constructed.

An improved K-Block will now be built, providing better clinical facilities for Tasmanians.

RHH Redevelopment Project News will provide updates on the project at key milestones.

You can also find information about the project by visiting the website:

www.rhhredevelopment.tas.gov.au

Or email the project at:

redvelopment.rhh@dhhs.tas.gov.au

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In the September edition of the RHH Redevelopment Project News you'll find information on:

- Liverpool Street forecourt works
- refurbishment tender packages
- acute rehabilitation
- furniture, fittings and equipment and much more.



Forecourt Works Start

Patients will receive quality, contemporary care in the temporary 54-bed capacity inpatient facility being built in the Liverpool Street forecourt.

From 5 October 2015, the RHH Liverpool Street forecourt will become a construction zone.

To ensure the safety of patients, staff and visitors, there will be changes to hospital access and parking.

Safe pedestrian entry to the hospital will be via an enclosed central walkway on Liverpool Street. Pedestrian access will also be available through Argyle and Campbell Street entrances.

Patient drop-off and collection will be available at the RHH Argyle Street and Campbell Street entrances.

Access to the emergency department and Zouki café will not change.

Visit the RHH Redevelopment webpage www.rhhredevelopment.tas.gov.au where you can read more in the *Temporary Liverpool Street Forecourt Facility Fact Sheet*.



The temporary Liverpool Street forecourt facility, image courtesy of Lyons.

How Do I Find It?

Way-finding is signage in health care services.

It needs to stand out in a 'busy' environment where there is already a great deal of information. It has to be helpful to people using the hospital, some of who might be anxious about being there.

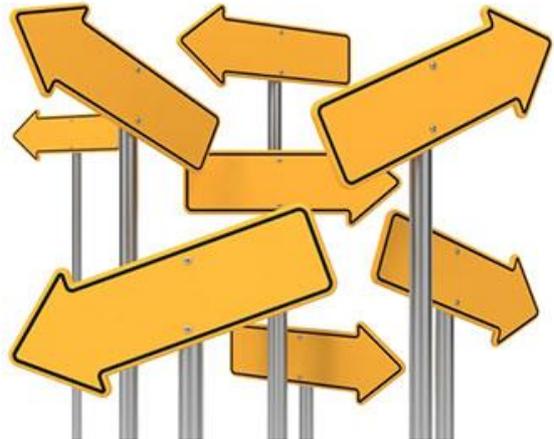


Image courtesy of <http://www.healthcarefacilities.com/posts/Holistic-design-approach-to-hospital-wayfinding-helps-build-brand-Interior-Design-1072>

Tasmanian graphic designer, Futago, has been engaged to develop and implement a way-finding strategy for services relocated as part of the decanting plan.

Signage will be implemented in two tranches to coincide with the commissioning of refurbished services. Temporary signage will be used in the interim.

The temporary facility will sit between the main hospital building on Liverpool Street and the pedestrian access to the emergency department and Zouki café.

More Early Works Packages Awarded

More tenders have been awarded for works critical for decanting and site preparation.

Tasmanian company Fairbrother, has won the lion share of the Redevelopment's early works packages totalling \$37 million.

This includes \$6.5 million of works building the new inpatient oncology ward and refurbishing accommodation for renal and orthopaedic patients in A-Block.



Demolition works on level 9, A-block by Fairbrother contractors.

Fairbrother also won the sub-contract for the \$22 million Liverpool Street forecourt facility and they are managing the \$7 million of refurbishments in the hospital's main building, C-Block.

Hutchinson Builders were awarded the contract for refurbishments at the Peacock Building, Repatriation Centre.

Specialist building services business, AG Coombs, won the tender for services tunnel works valued at \$4 million.

The final tender for refurbishments of clinical and office spaces closed during September and will be announced shortly. All early works packages will have commenced by the end of October 2015.

Gearing Up for K-Block

Over 100 representatives from the building and construction industry attended a construction industry briefing on Monday, 31 August 2015.

Work packages that will directly employ 300 tradespeople, including apprentices, were presented to the meeting.

The project's Managing Contactor, John Holland Fairbrother Joint Venture, provided an update on the project and how industry can become involved.

The construction of K-Block will apply the Tasmanian Government's *Buy Local Policy* for the procurement of trade packages and provide opportunities for young people in the construction industry via Tasmania's *Building and Construction Training Policy*.



Wade Harrison, Project Manager, John Holland Fairbrother Joint Venture (LHS) and Andrew Bradley, Regional Manager, Industry Capability Network

Electrical, mechanical, and fire services, and building systems sub-contractors are required to have pre-qualification status with the Department of Treasury and Finance.

Registrations of interest are encouraged via the Industry Capability Network Gateway <https://gateway.icn.org.au/>

Furniture, Fittings and Equipment (FF&E)

Hospital medical equipment is a specialised field. FF&E Medical Consultant, Yoga Shanmugarajah from AIM Medical is working with user groups to ensure the project has identified the required complex, clinical equipment. This information will also help identify appropriate products in the market and develop tender specifications.



Yoga Shanmugarajah from AIM Medical

Examples of new FF&E in K-Block:

- hoists, track and slings
- general loose furniture shown on the architectural drawings
- allied health gym equipment
- central sterilisation equipment
- paediatric and adolescent unit's garden equipment
- some additional IT equipment to be identified through an audit and
- items that are required to be installed by the Managing Contactor such as examination lights, instrument washers, etc that can't be transferred to K-Block for reasons including loss of service, violation of warranties, and costs of decommissioning for example.

No Entry Zone



The RHH B-Block basement is now a no-entry zone.

Site sheds have been established within the B-Block basement area. The John Holland Fairbrother Joint Venture is now using the area to support major refurbishment works in the hospital.

The basement area provides construction staff convenient and safe access to the areas being refurbished.



Site office and storage container.

Joint Venture Early Works Manager Rod Bennett said, "The establishment of site shed facilities is an important step for the project as it provides necessary amenities for construction staff and allows the early works to commence on time."

The site sheds include offices, lunch rooms, toilets and storage containers for use by contractors.

There are seven sheds, several storage containers including a secure materials storage area, and multiple mobile waste containers.

Site shed facilities will be in place for the duration of the early works and will be relocated before the demolition of B-Block in 2016.

Early works includes refurbishment of clinical areas so hospital services can relocate and B-Block can be demolished. Early works also includes other packages to prepare the site to build K-Block such as the construction of the temporary loading dock.

For More Information on the RHH Refurbs

More new patient areas are also being created with refurbishments within the RHH. These will accommodate relocated services so B-Block can be demolished and K-Block built.



Image courtesy of http://ministrysource.org/?page_id=19

Further information is available on the refurbishments in the *RHH Redevelopment Refurbishment Fact Sheet*. Find the fact sheet by visiting the RHH Redevelopment's webpage www.rhhredevelopment.tas.gov.au

Loading Dock Works



Demolition works preparing the site for construction of the temporary loading dock.

Tonnes of hospital supplies are delivered and waste is removed every week at the hospital. This work is integral to the operations of the RHH and is managed seamlessly through the loading dock.

A temporary loading dock is being built because the current loading dock will become part of the construction zone for K-Block.

Getting Updates

If there's information you think might be useful to read in the RHH Redevelopment News, let us know by emailing redemption.rhh@dhhs.tas.gov.au



Acute Rehabilitation on the Move

Work is well underway to progress the acute rehabilitation unit move to level two of the Peacock Building, Repatriation Centre.

The new unit will be an 18 bed ward with a therapy room, gymnasium, and staff amenities. Construction will be completed and the service relocated by the end of November 2015.

A user group is working through the new arrangements needed for the move. This has included involving ward staff and representatives from the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation in the change process.

To get ready for the move, the nursing team is undertaking valuable professional development sessions to ensure their patient assessment and management skills are up-to-date.

A new hospital assistant roster will be implemented to support nursing staff in patient care, manual handling, environmental and food service. Some additional nursing positions including a transport nurse during the week and out-of-hour's clinical coordinators will be recruited to be part of the team for the Peacock Building, Repatriation Centre.



Acute rehabilitation unit gym under construction.

Meet the Team

Stuart Jones is Manager Project Liaison and FF&E. He's been with the RHH Redevelopment since 2012. Here are five things about Stuart.



Stuart Jones with his second baby, Lucy

Number 1 - Stuart previously worked for a Brisbane architectural practice on the Mackay Base Hospital redevelopment.

Number 2 - Stuart isn't from around here. He hails from Wales and moved to Tassie four years ago after meeting his wife who is from Hobart.

Number 3 - He has played a key role in achieving developed design. This included the redesign of mental health services on levels two and three of K-Block and the design of the temporary facility – both outcomes of the Rescue Taskforce investigation.

Number 4 - Stuart's second daughter Lucy recently arrived and was born at the RHH. Birthing and Maternity was one of Stuart's user groups.

Number 5 - Stuart is now developing the procurement arrangements for K-Block's FF&E.