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NEW HEALTH FACILITY FOR BATEMAN'S BAY

The Batemans Bay community is set to benefit from a new one-stop-shop HealthOne community healthcare service facility, with the NSW Government today announcing \$300,000 to get the planning underway.

Member for Bega, Andrew Constance said the planning monies announced today will help ensure the new HealthOne facility in Batemans Bay is developed with full community consultation.

“The best way to build the most appropriate health facility that meets the needs of the local community is to involve the community from the very beginning,” Mr Constance said.

“I want to reassure the Batemans Bay community that they will get a brand new health care facility that provides additional healthcare services to complement the new Eurobodalla Hospital.

“This means residents will have access to top class facilities as close to home as possible.”

The planning project, funded under the 2021-22 Budget, will deliver a state-of-the-art facility that brings community healthcare services, including GPs, dentists, allied health professionals, aged care providers, child and family healthcare providers and other allied health services, together in the one hub.

The new facility will be part of the NSW Government’s HealthOne program to provide community health care services for rural and regional communities.

Minister for Health Brad Hazzard said the planning will involve the community every step of the way to ensure the local healthcare needs are met now and into the future.

“We’re building and upgrading health infrastructure not only in Batemans Bay but throughout rural and regional NSW to deliver better health outcomes,” Mr Hazzard said.

“The NSW Government’s HealthOne centres are making a big difference to communities across the state, bringing essential health services together under the one roof closer to home, so people can more easily address their varying healthcare needs.”

Chief Executive, Margaret Bennett, Southern NSW Local Health District said this is exciting news for the District.

“Our communities are very fortunate to be getting two brand new facilities in coming years. We are in the privileged position of being able to plan the new Eurobodalla Hospital and HealthOne community healthcare service facility at the same time, ensuring the best care and optimal access for the whole Eurobodalla region.”

The new facility will complement the \$200 million new Eurobodalla Hospital that will be built in Moruya. It is expected that detailed planning for the new HealthOne facility at Batemans Bay will ensure it is up and running prior to the completion of the new Eurobodalla Hospital.

The NSW Government has committed \$10.8 billion in health infrastructure investment in the four years to 2024-2025, including more than \$900 million for rural and regional areas in 2021-2022. Since 2011 the NSW Government has delivered more than 170 new hospitals and upgraded facilities and currently has 110 capital projects underway across NSW.

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