

Media Release



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Multi-million dollar upgrades scheduled at Hepburn Health's Creswick Aged Care Facility

Hepburn Health has today been awarded \$2.8 million of Victorian State Government funding to support the redevelopment of its Creswick Aged Care Facility and to upgrade IT infrastructure across the organisation.

The funding announcement was delivered by Cabinet Secretary and Labor Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas in Creswick this morning.

"The standard of care here is second to none, but the facilities here are not optimal. That's why I'm announcing \$2.84 Million in funding to allow the renovation of this facility."

\$2,475,875 of funding will be dedicated to the redevelopment of the Creswick Residential Aged Care Facility, with substantial redevelopment of the existing Residential Aged Care wing providing the community with more modern facilities and upgraded infrastructure.

The redevelopment will see all rooms provided with ensuite bathrooms, and upgrades to the heating and cooling system to ensure maximum comfort to residents and an improved standard of care.

The upgraded facility will also include 12 dementia specific beds, which is great news for elderly residents wishing to remain close to home in their later years.

Hepburn Health Acting CEO Sue Gervasoni was pleased to see substantial investment where it is needed.

"We are thrilled to see this commitment to rural health from the Victorian Labor Government. This investment will allow the redevelopment of the Creswick Nursing Home which will significantly improve the lives of residents and their families and ensure a sustainable facility to serve the community into the future."

A further \$354,632 will be dedicated to upgrading communications infrastructure across Hepburn Health's four facilities in Daylesford, Trentham, Creswick and Clunes, and will ensure best practice data security across the organisation.

About Hepburn Health

Hepburn Health is a rural provider of public health and wellbeing services across Hepburn Shire in central Victoria. We support a rural population of 15,000 people with four campuses in Clunes, Creswick, Daylesford and Trentham. Our communities are richly diverse with wide differences in health and wellbeing status. We are committed to providing dynamic and innovative community outreach and bed-based services, either directly itself or through effective partnership arrangements. Incorporating health promotion principles, our services encompass all stages of life, including keeping people well, early intervention, treatment of illness, and aged care through to dignified dying.

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