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Gerard Hayes Secretary, Health Service Union Level 2, 109 Pitt Street Sydney NSW 2000

Via email: info@hsu.asn.au

Attention: Tracey Gaddelin

Dear Mr Hayes

## Re: Muswellbrook Hospital – Stage 3 Redevelopment

I write to provide advice in relation to changes to the Muswellbrook Hospital Stage 3 Redevelopment. The project scope has been updated following an independent review of the master plan.

The scope of Stage 3 will now include:

- New Operating Theatre suite (1 Operating Room, 1 Procedure Room)
- New Central Sterilising Services Department (CSSD)
- Relocation of Community Health into the existing hospital to enable the future realisation of the master plan

This revised scope best allows for future expansion to deliver the full master plan, including new inpatient, birthing and maternity services. It also addresses feedback from staff to ensure optimal patient and clinical flows.

Consultation with staff has been ongoing throughout the project, including via Project User Groups (PUG), and an announcement about the changes to the project scope has recently been made to staff. Consultation will continue in order to finalise the redevelopment design in early 2024.

Construction on the redevelopment is now expected to commence in 2024 and forecast to be complete in 2026.

Should you have any questions at present please contact Cate Hollis, Acting Health Service Manager Muswellbrook Hospital on 02 654 22013.

Yours sincerely

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