October planning and consultation highlights

Westmead Hospital volunteers update

We met with Westmead Hospital volunteers (above) to update them on the project plus ask their thoughts on what was matters to them in the new hospital building. The group shared with us the common questions that patients and visitors ask including how to navigate around Westmead Hospital and how to travel to Westmead Private or The Children’s Hospital at Westmead. They made suggestions about the public facilities that could be included in the new hospital building and had many comments and ideas about signage across the Westmead precinct. Parramatta Light Rail staff also presented an overview of their consultation process and draft route.

Consumers workshop for patient lounge areas

The design of patient lounges in the new hospital building was the focus of a workshop attended by consumers and staff. Consumer representatives from Westmead Hospital, The Children’s Hospital at Westmead and new recruits joined members of the Executive, project team and architects. The group heard how their feedback is being incorporated into planning and design work. Great suggestions and questions spanned a range of topics including seating, design, lighting, food options, facilities to buy or make food, and a space to enjoy a silent disco!
A new temporary linkway between hospitals will be maintained during construction of the acute services building between Westmead Hospital and The Children’s Hospital at Westmead. A recent workshop brought together around 30 staff, spanning dozens of departments and teams. Participants brainstormed further testing, research or consultation required and planned for potential outages if access to the linkway is disrupted during construction.
Upcoming Traffic and Transport Staff Forum

Tuesday, 8 November - 12pm-1pm

The next Westmead Redevelopment Traffic and Transport Staff Forum will cover:

- Changes to precinct traffic flow
- Upcoming opening and closures of car parks
- An update on construction works
Important information on our works

- Please be patient, there will be disruption on the campus over the next five years.
- Check signs around your usual parking area for upcoming changes as the project progresses.
- Follow instructions from site staff.
- Walk only on marked paths.
- Report any concerns or questions you have to the Project Office – 1800 990 296

Works On Site

- This section of the Institute Road car park will open on 7 November 2016.
- Crane intermittently onsite for the removal of old cooling towers.
- Car parking construction. Access to the oval is closed until the new car park is opened in late November-early December 2016.
- Construction works continuing in this location. Please follow the instructions of traffic wardens.
- Services investigations in preparation for linkway construction.
- New The Children’s Hospital at Westmead car park access works underway. Works to be complete early November 2016.
- Construction of the new helipad
- Crane for multi-storey car park scheduled to commence on 5 November 2016