



Landscape REF Statement

MDH Additional Beds

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NSW Health Infrastructure (HI) proposes to provide 30 additional beds at Mount Druitt Hospital at 75 Railway Street, Mount Druitt as part of their delivery of infrastructure solutions and services to support the healthcare needs of the NSW communities.

To facilitate the provision of the additional beds the following works are proposed:

Extension of the existing main hospital building across two levels at its southern-most extent:

- Level 1 – extension to existing building
 - Relocation and Expansion of Outpatient Department (OPD) accommodating 23 separate rooms or points of care as well as ancillary rooms and spaces of about 833m².
 - New enclosed lobby of about 75m².
 - Future expansion zone (assumed as cold shell for future clinical or non-clinical purposes) of about 235m².
- Level 2 – extension to existing building
 - New 20 bed with ensuite in-patient unit (IPU) and support spaces of about 1,085m² in area with external fire / access stairs to Level 1 / ground.
 - The 20 beds are set out in a 10 x 1-bedroom; 3 x 2-bedroom; and 1 x 4-bedroom configuration.

The works will also involve the following ancillary or supplementary works:

- Selected tree removal to accommodate the proposed development and its ancillary works, as further set out below.
- Demolition of the existing decommissioned helipad and make-good works.
- Civil and flood mitigation works to manage overland flow paths in the vicinity of the proposed extension and car park.
- Extension of the existing at-grade car park P1.
- New oxygen compound adjacent to the existing oxygen compound.
- Augmentation of the existing fire hydrant ring main adjacent to the western edge of the main hospital building and relocation and partial upgrade of the existing hydrant booster.
- Offset planting and new landscaping.

This statement has been prepared to accompany landscape architectural documentation for the Mt Druitt Hospital Additional Bed project.

The public domain and landscape approach to this project is guided by three aspirations: To connect with the Country on which it stands, to connect with the heritage of place (both Indigenous and European), and to connect with the community MDH Hospital serves (public, patients, visitors, and staff).

The landscape has a particular focus on health and healing. Species selections celebrate the Dharug six seasons and species that have traditional medicinal uses. Existing bush and tree landscape is retained and reinforced to the north side of the campus along Railway Street. The immediate area around the eastern extension will be landscaped to make good and enhance the existing park-like setting. Planting on the south side will be landscaped to provide an outlook for the south facing rooms.

Existing site features including bench seating, lighting and memorial wall will be relocated to suit new pathway alignment accessing the existing hospital.

The landscape design in particular planting has been developed to consider CPTED principles with the arrangement of shrub planting away from sightlines and the minimization of hiding places. Materiality is to be durable and resistant to vandalism.

Where possible existing trees are to be retained with a minimum replacement strategy of 2:1. There are 125 trees proposed for removal with 250 replacement trees proposed across the Mt Druitt campus.

In consideration of the Heat Island effect handstand areas have been minimized where possible with the incorporation of softscape and canopy tree planning adjacent hardstand areas.

The proposed planting species have been selected primarily from the locally Indigenous plant community Cumberland Shale Plain Woodland. These species are suited to the local soils and site conditions. Planting design shall further consider ongoing maintenance, irrigation demands and appropriate mature sizes.