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Main construction works underway at Tweed Valley Hospital site

Major construction works have commenced at the site of the \$673.3 million Tweed Valley Hospital, delivering up to 650 jobs for the local community in addition to a world-class facility.

The new Tweed Valley Hospital will almost double the capacity of the current Tweed Hospital and offer more health services locally.

This will ensure more than 5,000 patients each year will not have to travel outside of the area and away from their families and support networks to access life-saving treatments.

The planning and design of the hospital has been a highly collaborative process, involving clinicians and operational staff as well as members of the local community.

More than 500 project user group meetings have been held to ensure that the hospital is designed by, and for, the community.

With the Tweed-Byron region forecast to grow by 17 per cent over the next decade, the new hospital will service the increased demand, as well as offer education and training opportunities.

The proximity to the NSW TAFE Kingscliff campus provides the option to develop a health and education precinct over time, in addition to the on-site education and training space for staff.

The new hospital will include:

- more operating theatres and recovery spaces
- expanded emergency department
- enhanced medical, surgical and mental health services
- enhanced ambulatory care services including more outpatient clinics
- new interventional cardiology service
- new radiotherapy service as part of a new integrated cancer care service.

New South Wales Premier Gladys Berejiklian and Health Minister Brad Hazzard joined local MP Geoff Provest at the Tweed Valley Hospital site on Tuesday 19 January 2021 to mark the start of the main works.

The Tweed Valley Hospital is the largest regional capital health investment by a NSW Government and is scheduled to open in 2023.