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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **EXTRA \$1.5 MILLION FOR MOLONG MPS REDEVELOPMENT**

Health Minister Jillian Skinner and Nationals candidate for the Orange by-election, Scott Barrett, have committed an extra \$1.5 million to the Molong Multi-purpose Service (MPS) redevelopment to replace the old support services building.

The building, which includes the on-site kitchen and other key back-of-house services, had not been in the original scope of the redevelopment.

Mr Barrett welcomed Mrs Skinner to Molong last week to view construction progress on the \$15 million project - which is part of the NSW Government's \$300 million MPS program.

The existing Molong Hospital on King Street is being converted to an MPS to deliver tailored healthcare for the local community.

The Molong MPS will include refurbishment of the existing acute and aged care areas and construction of new aged care and flexible beds as an extension to the building.

Mrs Skinner said the extra \$1.5 million commitment would replace the existing support services building with a new building.

"When I visited the construction site last week, it was clear this older building requires a refresh and needs to be included in the redevelopment," Mrs Skinner said.

Mr Barrett said the older building is at the end of its design life.

"I'm delighted this extra funding will deliver a new kitchen as well as cleaning storage facilities for the MPS, in a modern building," Mr Barrett said.

Construction on the Molong MPS began in June and is expected to be complete late next year.

Health Infrastructure will consider options for the design of a new support services building and will soon commence planning, including consultation with facility users.

The NSW Government has also committed \$2.5 million for a new Molong Ambulance Station.