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SHINING STAR: \$120 MILLION HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT OPENED

Health Minister Jillian Skinner today officially opened the latest hospital redevelopment to be delivered by the NSW Liberals & Nationals Government - the \$120 million STAR Building at Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital.

Mrs Skinner was joined by Member for Hornsby Matt Kean and Member for Ku-ring-gai Alister Henskens as she toured the five-storey building and shared morning tea with patients, staff and community members.

“The NSW Government is delivering on its promise to rebuild hospitals from one end of the state to the other,” Mrs Skinner said.

“On Monday I was proud to officially open the \$134 million Campbelltown Hospital redevelopment and here we are today at Hornsby - a hospital crying out for modernisation for decades.

“I pay tribute to the clinicians and staff who never wavered in their commitment to patient care, despite the ageing infrastructure.”

Mr Kean said: “Today is the realisation of a long-held dream and we celebrate in the knowledge that Stage 2 is on its way. When we are done we will have completely transformed this hospital to meet our community’s needs for generations to come.”

Mr Henskens said: “I am so proud to be a member of a government delivering vital infrastructure. The STAR is an outstanding, state-of-the-art building which will benefit patients and staff alike.”

The STAR Building (which stands for Surgical, Theatres, Anaesthetic and Recovery) includes: three 28-bed inpatient units; an acute assessment unit; eight state-of-the-art operating theatres including a dedicated endoscopy procedure room and an interventional theatre to facilitate complex vascular surgery; recovery facilities with three graduated areas accommodating up to 58 patients; sterilising services; pathology services; a kitchen and Health Information Services.

The NSW Government has committed \$500,000 to progress planning of Stage 2 - a \$200 million project which will prioritise inpatient beds, an upgraded intensive care unit, paediatric and ambulatory care services and an enhanced emergency department.