

OUR PRIORITY

Swan Hill Hospital completion



Project Description

- Swan Hill and surrounding region urgently need a new, modern hospital to meet growing community health needs.
- The existing hospital, built over 60 years ago, is outdated and unable to meet contemporary healthcare standards.
- While Stage One (new Emergency Department) has been completed, the remainder of the hospital is in critical need of replacement.
- The hospital services a catchment of 40,000+ people across north-west Victoria and southern NSW, with demand rising due to population growth, an ageing community, and increasing chronic health conditions.

Why a New Hospital is Essential

- **Population Growth & Demand:** Expanding and ageing population with higher care needs.
- **Outdated Infrastructure:** Current buildings and layouts restrict modern care delivery and workforce attraction.
- **Workforce Shortages:** A new, fit-for-purpose facility is key to recruiting and retaining doctors, nurses, and specialists.
- **Equity of Access:** Families should not need to travel long distances for essential healthcare services.

Benefits of a New Hospital

- **Improved Patient Care:** Expanded emergency, surgical, maternity, and specialist services.
- **Community Resilience:** Stronger ability to respond to crises, including health emergencies and natural disasters.
- **Economic Growth:** Job creation during construction and operation, boosting regional confidence and long-term social benefits.

Call to Action

- The case for a new Swan Hill Hospital is clear and urgent.
- We call on the Victorian and Federal Governments to:
 - Prioritise and fund the full redevelopment of Swan Hill Hospital.
 - Deliver a modern, fit-for-purpose facility that provides world-class healthcare close to home.