

## Wairau Hospital and Health Centre Marlborough Site Redevelopment Newsletter

This edition of Ex-Site looks at gaining feedback from Infection Control and OSH, the Mental Health User Group, Community feedback and results from the Communication Survey.

# Chris and Denise join Site Redevelopment



Chris Downs - Occupational Health and Safety And Quality Improvement Advisor and Denise Bush - Infection Control Specialist Nurse

Meet the two most recent additions to the Site Redevelopment Project; Denise Bush, Infection Control Specialist Nurse and Chris Downs, Occupational Health and Safety and Quality Improvement Adviser.

Both Denise and Chris have linked in with the project and are attending many of the user group meetings. During the next two phases of design - preliminary and detailed design – Chris and Denise

will have input on the plans to ensure that the project is building a safe and hazard free facility and environment for staff, family and patients.

Chris feels she can have most input and advice on general health and safety aspects and staff wellness in the current stage as well as more specific ergonomic input in the detailed stages with manual handling and office layout and lighting

Infection Control issues range from the location of the sinks to the flow of the Dirty Utility room. Along with this, Denise has made her self available for advice and consultation regarding the finishes, surfaces, furniture and flooring

Denise and Chris's involvement in Site Redevelopment will become more intense as the design becomes more detailed over the next 6 months.

### Did you know.....

Throughout the survey and examination of the hospital site, it was brought to the attention of the project team that underneath the hospital, hundreds of meters of service tunnels exist. These tunnels support the building services including mechanical systems, electrical instillation, plumbing and drainage. Many of the tunnels are large enough to walk through and the project specialist consultants such as the Civil and Electrical Engineers are currently assessing the best way to adapt these services into the new facilities.

### Fire - Security - Communication - Alarms

Just a reminder that there are groups set up to identify and meet the needs of these areas.

A specialist Fire Engineering Consultant has been employed and Sandy Russell will be looking after the security and alarm's plan for the new facility.

A sub group has been set up to investigate possible options for future, IT and communications throughout the hospital.

### Community Feedback

The Integrated Health Focus Group has been working on gaining feedback and offers of interest from Community Providers, NGO's and PHO's regarding co-locating on the hospital site. Currently there has been some feedback from the Deaf Association, Alzheimer's, Police, Grey Power and the Blind Association to name a few.

This group will continue to source information from the community and are developing methods of putting the information around the Hospital redevelopment to the community.

## Design Phase 3: Developed Design

This includes an opportunity for the individual technical experts to prepare the necessary documentation to define the scope of all building elements. The scope of the project is fully defined and as a result, detailed cost estimates can be prepared. Developed design generally provides sufficient information for the user groups and project team to clearly understand the aesthetics and functionality of the building, internal spaces and facilities.

# Mental Health User Group

The Mental Health user is now progressing well after a bit of a delayed start.

The group is made up of DHB staff and has some good consumer representation from Supporting Families, St Marks and Consumer Advocacy who attend the regular user group meetings and provide valuable input into the design, client and family flow throughout new facility.

David Greer is the Wairau Based leader of the User Group and represents Robyn Byers who is the District Manager for Mental Health.

David feels that "the closer physical location in the new facility could lead to better communication between the Mental Health Services"

The new Mental Health unit which incorporates CAMHS, Adult Mental Health and Alcohol and Drugs will be relocated in the redeveloped Paediatric and Maternity wards. The co-location of these services is leading the way nationally and the group are now looking at what areas may be shared between the services.

The issues that the group have faced throughout the process include limitations on space, ensuring the services have separate entrances and having access to enough natural light in clinic rooms.

The group are working closely with the Architects and having regular user group meetings to discuss process and non design issues fortnightly to help work through these issues.

## Allied Health/Community Nursing User Group Signs off Concept Plan

Congratulations to the Allied Health and Community Nursing user group for being the first group to sign off on the Concept Design Phase. By signing off at this stage of the project, the user group are happy with the general design and space allocation for their department.

This user group will now progress into the Developed Design Phase focusing on introducing further detail on the concept design plan



Joanne Harper signs of the Concept Plan

A big **thank you** goes out to all of you who took the time to feed back your thoughts on the Communication Survey issued in February. Your feedback is vital in ensuring that the Project Team are communication effectively and meeting the needs of the staff. The survey results highlighted that whilst most communication and information was reaching the staff, more work needs to be done on informing the hospital staff on the entire project and keeping you up to date with developments.

The project team will endeavour to improve it's communication to staff members, particularly those who are not members of the user groups.

Please remember that if you have any feedback, concerns or ideas to feed it back to your user group representatives. There is a list of user group members published on the notice boards around the hospital and usually include your unit manager.

## Value Management Workshop

The second all day Value Management Workshop was held on the 11th of May. This was attended by District Managers, Project Team and Specialist Consultants who met to discuss the overall concept plan.

A review of the design and the proposed benefits was undertaken and a number of actions were identified to ensure that the project remains within budget and on track

## Non Clinical Services

The initial phase of the project has been mainly clinically focused to ensure the best co-locations and to create ease of patient and staff flows throughout the hospital.

The architects have now completed the first cut of a concept design for the top floor of the Arthur Wicks

building contains the majority of the non-clinical services.

The top floor concept plan currently houses: Surgical Secretaries, Human Resources, Learning and Development (3 large Meeting rooms with Videoconference facilities and a Training room), Surgeon's offices,

Occupational Health and Safety, Planning and Funding, Nursing and Midwifery Development Team, Business Support, Maori Health, Infection Control, Coding, Nutritional Planning, the Library, a time out room, hot offices and the Wairau Liaison Manager.