

Dear residents and representatives

I have arrived back from leave in recent days to the wonderful news that Boneham Aged Care Services has been successful in obtaining a grant of almost \$9.5 million dollars under the Commonwealth Aged Care Capital Assistance Program for the construction of an additional 16 bed memory support unit.

This grant application was the culmination of many months of hard work and planning by our Board, staff and with the support of excellent consulting services by Harvest Consulting under the auspices of the Commonwealths Service Development Assistance Program.

Boneham will also contribute \$2 million to this project making the total investment \$11.5 million dollars.

We will construct 2 x 8 bed residential units based on a home like model. Each unit will have its own lounge, kitchenette and dining room. The two units will each have their own entrance and be connected to each other through a shared staffing space and nursing office. A shared commercial kitchen/servery will service both units and there will be a laundry so that residents can wash their own clothes if they choose to.

Each unit will have its own sensory garden to engage residents in the outdoors through sight, smell and touch,

The new wing will have its own entry off Williams Road and also have some office, meeting and storage spaces. The wing will have an internal connection to the main Boneham building through a connecting corridor from the Ibis Wing.

Works are predicted to commence in mid to late 2026 with the new wing opening around late 2028 or early 2029.

We are thrilled that we will be able to bring such a highly contemporary dementia care facility to our community. This is only possible through the support of our wonderful staff, residents and families and community businesses and organisations.

Thank you to everyone involved in the development and funding of this project and we look forward to keeping you informed over coming months on our progress.

Kind Regards
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