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Fond farewell for tower crane at Griffith Base Hospital

A significant landmark on Griffith's skyline for almost 18 months will be farewelled this weekend.

Known as Hope, the 44-metre tower crane on the construction site of the \$250 million Griffith Base Hospital Redevelopment is due to be dismantled and depart the city on Saturday 4 November 2023.

NSW Health Infrastructure Executive Director Rural and Regional, Amanda Bock said 'Hope' has been invaluable in supporting construction of the Griffith Hospital redevelopment which will significantly enhance health services for the region.

"The tower crane has been pivotal to the construction of the new Clinical Services Building which reached its highest point in September 2023," Ms Bock said.

"While it will be a fond farewell for 'Hope,' the focus of construction has now shifted from the building's structure to the internal fit-out and exterior works."

'Hope' has a span of 75-metres and can lift around 16-tonne, which is about the equivalent weight of 54 tigers or 10 cars.

"The crane will be dismantled using a large mobile crane, with sections loaded onto heavy vehicles ready for departure by road from Griffith," Ms Bock said.

The crane was also centre stage in the successful [Name the Crane Competition](#) in 2022, involving primary school students across the Western Riverina.

Further facts about the tower crane can be found [here](#).

The \$250 million Griffith Base Hospital Redevelopment is on schedule to be completed in 2025.

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