

Saying goodbye



High level view of old Gastroenterology (15), Haematology (15), Linen (17), Spiritual Centre (17) and the Rainbow Corridor



After demolition – 20 September 2010

You go away for a few days and look what happens! Half of the Middlemore site disappears (slight exaggeration) as Buildings 15,16,17 and part of the Rainbow Corridor are demolished – soon to be followed by the old Mortuary (Building 18) and Building 19 (part of Engineering), once the new Building 19 is operational.

It's quite an eerie, yet amazing site to see all of the rubble and a bit sad as we remember the buildings that used to stand tall. While we say goodbye to a piece of our history we embrace the exciting future ahead and make way for our next stage of development – the new Clinical Services Building.

Construction is set to begin in November 2010.

Now you see it Now you don't



Pre-demolition: Spiritual Centre, Linen and Groundsmen's Shed



Post-demolition



Pre-demolition: Building 16 - Clinical Coding



Post-demolition



Pre-demolition: Building 15 - Gastroenterology, Haematology & Mail Room



Post-demolition



Pre-demolition: Building 17 - Linen and Groundsmen's Shed



Post-demolition

To see more demolition photos go to the Towards 20.20 web site. Access via Projects on SouthNet

Clinical Services Building (CSB) Preparation Works



A new annexe is being built outside the Kidz First main entrance

Work continues on building the annexe outside the Energy Centre (near Kidz First).

This annexe will house a new boiler and a chiller, required to provide extra capacity for the new Clinical Services Building.

The large timber cylinder pictured within the fence line has aroused a lot of curiosity.

Some, rather hopeful staff, say it resembles a large wine barrel, while others think it's a giant jacuzzi.

The correct answer is a giant water tank, which holds 250, 000 litres of water. That's 7 times your average para swimming pool!

The large water tank replaces smaller tanks that were in the way of construction.

Why is there a hole in the Kidz First wall?

When construction starts on the new Clinical Services Building in November 2010 the closure of the road, just past Engineering will result in a change of access for delivery trucks and vehicles going to and from Inwards Goods and the Kitchen's loading dock. From November 2010 delivery trucks will use the new access route currently being built through the brick wall next to the Kidz First round-about.

Heads up

From November 2010 the Gate 2 roadway (that runs from Kidz First to the back of AT&R) will be blocked off just past the entrance into Building 27 (Engineering)

This means access to areas - other than the Kidz First visitor car park, Kidz First drop-off zone, Buildings 25 (Service Improvement Managers), 26 (Projects) and Building 27 (Engineering) will be via **Gate 1**.

In other words if you want to reach Tiaho Mai, the Hard-Standing Car Park, the Afternoon Car Park and AT&R you need to use **Gate 1** and exit the same way.

We will give you plenty of notice when this will be taking place.



The new Kidz First round-about



The hole in the wall will provide vehicle access to the Kitchen and Inwards Goods

Update – New Building 19

The new Building 19 is taking shape with completion planned for 27 September 2010. It will have a new number, 53.

At the moment timber decking is going up, followed by the fit-out of the upper floor.

In October the building will be occupied by:

- Shane, Mike and Hayden – Tinman Engineering
- Barry and Joe – Groundsmen
- Bruce – Painter.
- Steve, Denesh, Maurice, Neil, Peter and Reg - Maintenance Technicians



The new Building 19 is taking shape

Staff Car Park becomes construction zone

The staff car park, shown in the photo on the right (next to the Support Building) is now a construction zone for the new Centre for Health Services Innovation (CHSI). Staff will still be able to use 30 car parks until **5 October 2010**.

If you usually park in this area, alternative parks are available on the Western Campus. Other car parking options on the Middlemore Site include the S-Bend Car Park, the Hard-Standing Car Park (next to Tiaho Mai) and the Afternoon Car Park (from 10am).

We realise this will require a change in parking behaviour for many staff and would like to thank you for your support as we move forward with the next stage of development of our health services.

The new CHSI, a joint venture involving Counties Manukau District Health Board (CMDHB), Auckland University, Manukau Institute of Technology (MIT) and Auckland University of Technology (AUT) will increase the numbers of health workers, attract more local people into health training – creating a



The staff car park has become a construction zone

workforce that reflects the diversity of our community and boost the district's low levels of participation in tertiary education, thereby reducing the reliance on health workers from other areas and overseas.

With your support we have a unique opportunity to create an environment that will foster excellence in teaching and research.

Parking Update – Western Campus



The majority of the Ground Level Car Park at the Western Campus is OPEN

On Thursday 23 September staff began using the new ground level park at the Western Campus.

We had planned to open the entire car park, however due to the inclement weather, causing delays in consolidating the base the opening of the remaining car parks has been delayed until early next week.

Unfortunately we can't control mother nature and we appreciate your ongoing patience. Rest assured the contractors will be doing their best to get the remaining car parks up and running as soon as possible.

Please refer to the Towards 20/20 Web site for regular updates on car parking changes at Middlemore and the Western Campus Car Park.

Access to the web site is via SouthNet

Multi-storey car park set to expand

Although you can't see it, work has been going on behind the scenes to prepare the multi-storey car park for an additional two levels, making a total of 5.

Over the past few weeks Watts & Hughes Construction has set up their site,

surveyed the area and assessed the building's structure and foundation.

In the coming weeks you will start to see the car park grow as structural steel columns go up.

COMPLETION: NOVEMBER 2010

Additional parks provided = 202 Total multi-storey car parks = 758



Work continues on adding two more levels to the multi-storey car park

The Gardens at Middlemore Hospital

Middlemore's gardens have always been a source of pride and joy over the years.

Back when the Hospital opened in 1947 the Head Gardener for the Auckland Hospital Board, Arthur Farnell laid out the grounds and supervised the planning of the Liquidamber and Ginkgos and other European deciduous trees close to the buildings.

Around the periphery some 400 different species of native plants and shrubs were planted and labelled. As they have been drawn from all parts of New Zealand, they form a special and valuable collection today. Over the years (until the 90s) these native plants were studied by a large number of students, who took advantage of the fact that Middlemore Hospital had the largest variety of native trees in New Zealand.

Looking after the grounds from the 1940s to the 1980s were 10 Groundsmen, a Leading Hand, Foreman and 2 Gardeners. Duties included mowing the lawns, spraying the fruit trees, pruning the roses, composting the waste and looking after the hedges.

Barry Bracefield has worked at Middlemore as a Groundsman for the past 30 years and remembers the large nursery full of veges, flowers and shrubs. "It was a real sight to see and the pride of joy among the staff," says Barry. "We also used to tend to the Superintendent's garden and watered the plants in the nurses' home on a regular basis." There were also those extra touches where donated Xmas trees were delivered to all the wards. Unfortunately this tradition disappeared in the late



A Groundsman tends to the gardens – early 1950s



Inside the Gardeners' Shed – 1950s



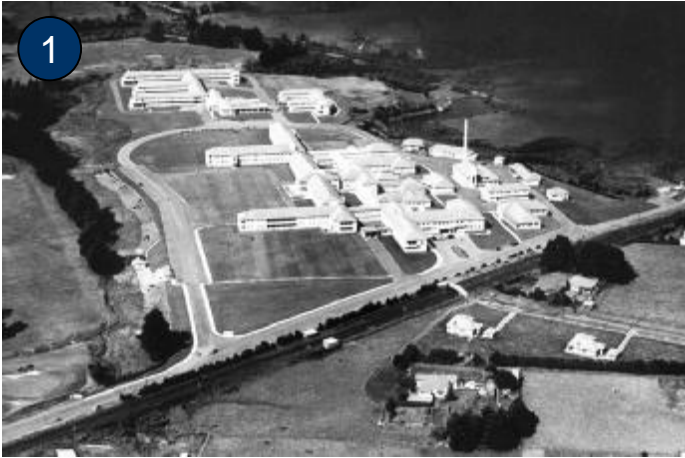
From [L] to [R] Barry Bracefield and Joe Beer

80s due to the mess made by the pine needles and the convenience of artificial trees.

Today you'll find two Groundsmen – Barry, mentioned earlier in the article and Joe Beer who has been at Middlemore for the past 12 years. Their duties remain the same except for mowing the lawns and composting the waste (which are contracted out).

It's a job they love and one that keeps them busy and fit – not surprising when they cover 26 hectares of land.

A photo journey back in time



1	An empty Middlemore Hospital awaits its first patients - 1947
2	The front entrance to Middlemore Hospital - 1947
3	Dr H.J.C. Colvin was the Hospital's first Medical Superintendent
4	Miss O.M. Hollan was the Hospital's first Lady Superintendent
5	Mr C.N. Newman was the Hospital's first House Manager
6	Nursing staff 1947



7	His Excellency the Governor General, Sir Bernard Freyberg and Lady Freyberg pass through the Guard of Honour at the opening of Middlemore Hospital in 1947
8	The first patient arrives at Middlemore Hospital
9	Frances Wharfe was the first civilian patient admitted to Middlemore Hospital
10	Esme Montgomery (nee Green) as a young trainee nurse at Middlemore Hospital
11	A view of the Hospital from the Golf Course – 1950s
12	Middlemore site – 1960s



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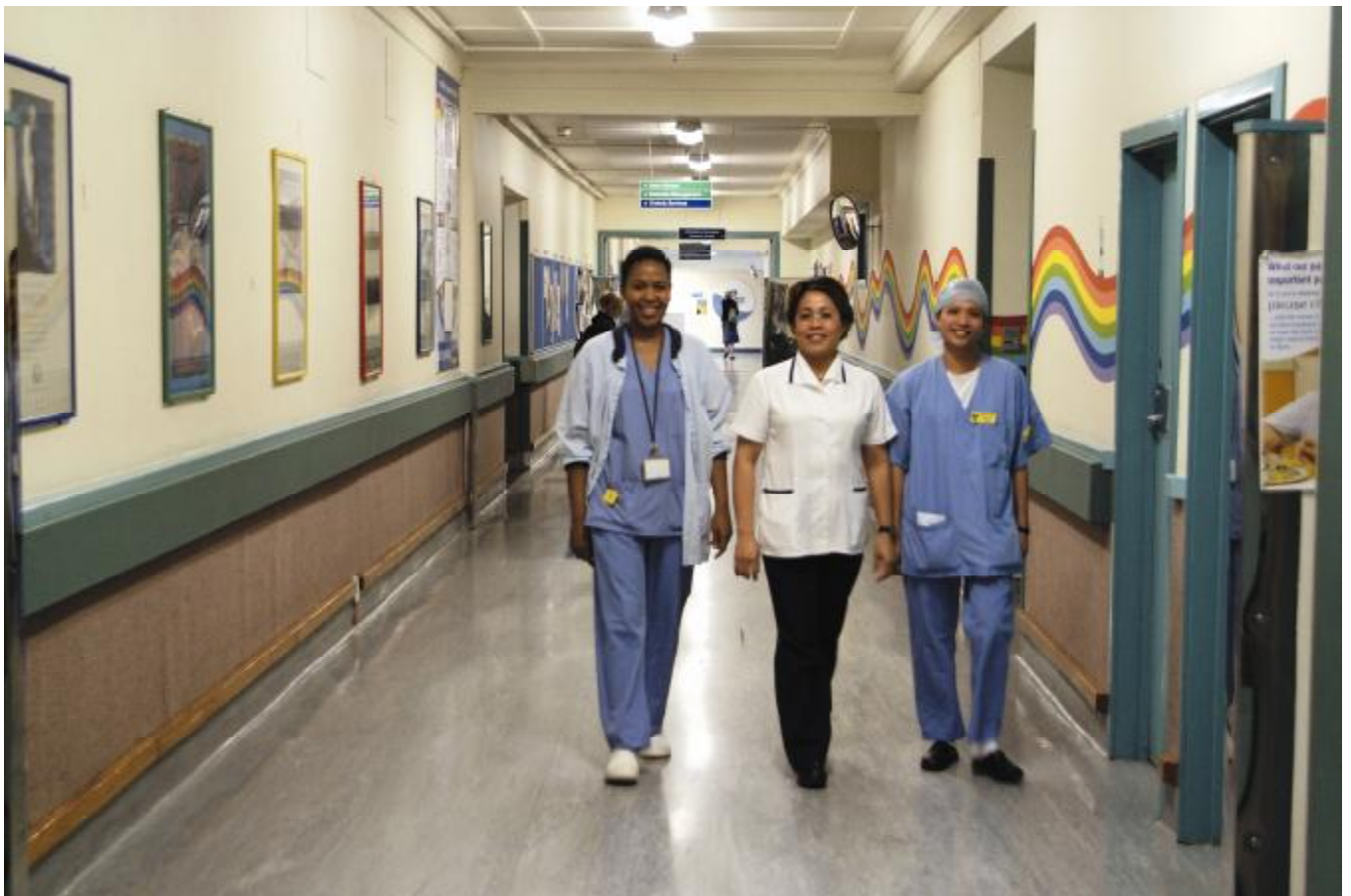
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Click onto Towards 20/20.

The Towards 20/20 web site has been designed to inform staff about the modernisation and redevelopment projects occurring across the CMDHB sites.

You'll find background information and regular updates on the various projects, along with updated photographs of construction activities, floor plans, copies of Towards 20/20 NEWS and much more.



We say a fond farewell to the section of the Rainbow Corridor demolished this week. The section you see above will remain until mid 2011