IMMENSE BOILERS FITTED

Pictured is one of two immense boilers which will supply steam throughout Gosford District Hospital.

The boiler room forms part of the £21,000 additions to the hospital which will be completed early next year.

Coal will be automatically fed into the boilers from overhead bunkers.

Included in the additions are a new ward block and laundry.

The new wing comprises three floors with accommodation for 65 beds.

In addition there will be two air-conditioned casualty theatres, doctors' consulting rooms, a casualty ward and other ancillary service areas.

A lift large enough to convey beds from the ground to upper floors will be a vast improvement on the present circumstances where it is necessary to manually carry patients up and down stairs.

One of the features of the design is that the floors of the new wing will connect with the corridors of the existing wards giving direct access throughout the whole of the hospital.

Both the large-scale laundry and the boiler room have been forward planned with latent capacity to meet the laundry requirements of the hospital for many years.

A modern kitchen containing the finest equipment available will streamline food preparation, cooking and distribution.

Furniture and equipment needed for the theatres, wards, laundry and kitchens will cost £46,000.

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