



Deputy Premier John Barilaro and local member, Stephen Bromhead.

Project team for Manning upgrade

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STAGE two of the \$100 million Manning Base Hospital Redevelopment has taken a major step forward with the appointment of a project team to masterplan the continued redevelopment.

Member for Myall Lakes, Stephen Bromhead was joined by the Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional NSW John Barilaro to make the announcement.

"The newly appointed project team will comprise of Health Infrastructure, Hunter New England Local Health District, Mace (consultant project manager), BVN (architect) and MBM (quantity surveyor)," Mr Bromhead said.

"I know access to quality healthcare is a huge issue for communities in Myall Lakes and in the lead-up to the last budget I fought tooth and nail in Parliament to ensure we secured this funding."

Mr Barilaro said the new project team will focus on master planning for the next stage of the project which will provide a clear framework to inform priority areas for the \$100 million redevelopment.



Solange Steain loves giving other people's disorder the midas touch.

Happy living in a tidy space is Solange's job

WHY I DO WHAT I DO
BY JEANENE DUNCAN

Great Lakes

LET'S be honest.

Who has the inclination or even the time to spend precious downtime tidying or organising those messy cupboards and drawers.

Step forward Solange Steain who loves giving other people's disorder the midas touch.

Solange is a professional organiser, one of those clever people who can step in and declutter a home, tackle an overflowing bedroom wardrobe, organise that cramped

pantry and put some order into the home office or children's play area.

But, Solange doesn't just come in, clean up the mess and leave.

Her job is to ensure that it not only looks good but the order is easily obtainable and continues to work well into the future.

"I want to organise and make sure it works for them," she said.

"I create a system to help you keep organised, and it isn't just about tidying and looking nice.

"There's a place for everything and everything is

in its place. It makes your life simpler and easier."

Solange said her job can at times be both brutal and confronting for some clients.

"If you have more things it is more work for you; if you have less you have more time for yourself."

Solange said she viewed every decluttering, unpacking or downsizing project as a challenge.

"When I go into a place I see the potential; I love seeing the transformation.

"It is something I value when you see the results and the smiles on people's faces."

After relocating from

Townsville to the Great Lakes with her husband and young son 18 months ago, Solange began looking for work.

But, finding work in her chosen career of business administration and finance proved a difficult task for the 39-year-old.

Describing herself as a very organised person, Solange had a light bulb moment when she began watching decluttering programs on TV.

"I can do that I thought," she said.

She began her professional career change undertaking an on-line course through

Institute of Professional Organisers.

Solange, who grew up in the Sao Paulo region of Brazil, moved to Australia seven years ago to improve her English speaking skills and to study.

With a temperature similar to Brazil, and a diverse melting pot of nationalities, Australia was the obvious choice for the Portuguese speaking student.

She had planned to return following her studies, but love, marriage and a child got in the way and Solange now calls Australia home.

"I love Australia," she said.



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