

Abattoir to be restored

STRATHALBYN'S mothballed abattoir is expected to re-open by August, creating up to 20 long-term jobs and reducing farmers' transport costs.

The state government says it will provide \$1.5m towards the site's \$3.5m restoration, which is being managed by the Fleuri-eu Community Co-operative.

The abattoir closed in 2020 because of a large upgrade bill but its ownership has since changed hands.

Co-operative chairman David Parsons said members were hoping for federal funding to add to the cash pool, and they also had private contributions. He said work on restoring the abattoir would start "almost immediately".