

# New X-Ray unit for St John's

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THE X-Ray unit at St John's hospital is to be replaced at a cost of £200,000.

The welcome announcement was made, today, by Deputy Jim Kemmy.

He said that he had been in touch with the Minister for health, Brendan Howlin TD, having put a strong

case for the hospital, the only one now close to Limerick's city centre.

He stated today that the Minister had been in touch with him, having considered the situation at the hospital, over the past few weeks.

He was happy to announce that the Minister had approved expenditure of £200,000 by St John's hospital to enable the main X-ray unit to be replaced in 1994.

Minister Howlin described this approval as "significant" as it would fill a major gap in the equipment needs of the hospital.

And Croom orthopaedic hospital is to allocated £50,000, in the current year,

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to enable medical equipment requirements to be addressed.

This capital grant will allow orthopaedic trauma equipment to be purchased for the hospital and also for Limerick Regional Hospital.

This allocation, according to the Minister, will contribute towards providing a more comprehensive orthopaedic service to the people of the area.

These allocations have also been welcomed by Deputy Kemmy.