NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure



Ashtonfield Public School upgrade

Project update

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Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over the next four years to deliver 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Ashtonfield Public School upgrade

A project to upgrade Ashtonfield Public School is in the final stages of planning. The project will deliver new permanent innovative and flexible learning spaces for 11 classes and an upgrade to core facilities, including extensions to the library, hall and canteen.

This will allow temporary demountable buildings to be removed and increase the amount of open play space at the school.

Progress summary

The schematic design has been completed. The project team are continuing to develop the detailed design in consultation with the school community.

A Development Application (DA) was lodged with Maitland City Council and publicly exhibited from 15 to 29 July. As part of the DA process an additional Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) and an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Plan (AHIP) needs to be prepared for Maitland City Council. This will ensure that the Aboriginal cultural significance of the site is properly considered.

As a result construction is now expected to start in the second half of 2020 and the project is forecast to be completed in late 2021.

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