New high school in Bungendore Planning update February 2021 **Process timeline** We are here Late Mid Term 1 Late 2020 2020 2019 2023 Early Reviewing Planning Project completion/ Master planning site options planning complete handover Planning

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Project summary

Planning is underway for a new high school in Bungendore to bring students the latest education facilities and support the growing local community.

As part of the plan for a new high school at Bungendore, the department is also upgrading facilities at Bungendore Public School, including 3 new permanent classrooms, a new playing field and amenities within the existing primary school.

Progress summary

In December 2020, the business case for this project was submitted to NSW Treasury. This finalises the planning phase process and the project will now begin to transition into the delivery phase.

The design continues to be developed, integrating considerations such as planning, transport, environmental and heritage.

The formal development application for consideration by the Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE) is in development. This includes the submission of a Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) application request, which is the first step towards the development application.

Next steps

Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council has commenced the process to formally notify and engage with the community about the close of part of Majara Street. This will allow the creation of the Majara/Gibraltar Streets precinct for the new high school. Comments and submissions can be made to QPRC directly, read their <u>Your Voice</u> webpage for more information. While the sections of Majara Street will be closed, a new road will be built on the eastern side of the new high school, behind the current QPRC building. The new road will be a diversion for school related traffic, hence reducing any traffic pressure in and around the precinct.

The transport assessment has found the Bungendore road network is in a grid pattern, hence the partial closure of Majara Street will not adversely affect traffic as there are various route options to travel.

The design team will continue to progress the development application to DPIE which includes extensive coordination with QPRC and Government organisations. When the development application is lodged with the NSW Government, it will be publicly exhibited, which will provide the community with the opportunity to provide feedback. We will advise the community when the State Significant Development (SSD) application will be on public exhibition.

Frequently asked questions

The updated FAQs can be found here: <u>www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/n/new-high-</u> <u>school-in-bungendore.html#category-faqs</u>

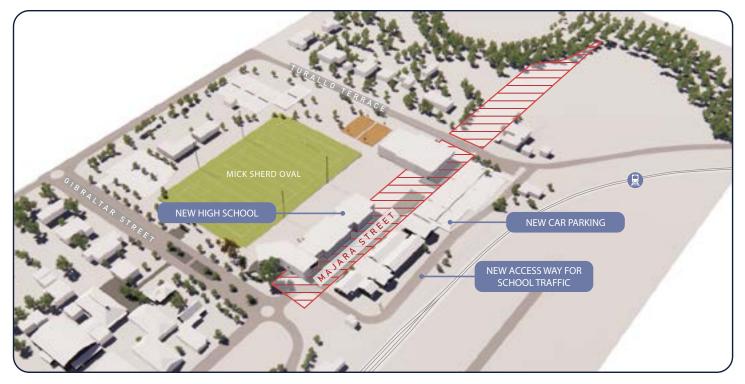
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Proposed Majara/Gilbratar Streets Precinct



Note: The shaded section indicates the proposed sections of Majara Street to be closed.

