

Project overview

We are upgrading Castle Hill Public School to support the growing population of North West Sydney.

The upgrade will include new fit-for-purpose learning spaces and upgraded core facilities.

The project will deliver:



new permanent learning spaces



a new hall and student amenities



refurbished support learning spaces,
administration and staff areas



Aerial view. Rendered image, subject to change.

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Progress summary

We have progressed the masterplan of the Castle Hill Public School upgrade to concept design stage.

Concept design involves consultation with educational leaders and the department's technical stakeholder group to confirm:

- the final location of all facilities
- the adjacencies of functional spaces within the buildings
- the internal layouts and room configurations
- look and feel of the new facilities.

Our architects also take into consideration the overall layout and look and feel of the new facilities, as well as the character of the buildings to ensure the design responds to the local surroundings and takes into consideration heritage, environmental, access, transport and other planning requirements.

Throughout concept design and beyond, we consult with educational leadership and selected stakeholders through a structured process to gain insight into the operational and educational requirements for general learning spaces, specialised environments such as school support units, and other school facilities.

Feedback from school stakeholders will be brought together with input from architects, consultants and the department's technical stakeholder group to ensure the design of the schools reflects best practice and meets Educational Facilities Standards and Guidelines (EFSG).



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Flexible learning spaces

Contemporary learning and teaching prepares students for a diverse and interconnected world. We are evolving the ways we teach our students new skills valued by a changing workforce, understand different ways students learn and support new ways of interacting with information through technology.

Flexible learning spaces are designed and equipped to support contemporary learning and teaching.

What makes a flexible learning space?



Learning space

- Different zones (areas of a building or floors) are designed to support a range of activities sometimes grouped by subject area
- Varied furniture allows for student choice, comfort and flexibility
- Spaces are flexibly connected allowing students to work in varied group sizes
- Connection between indoor and outdoor learning spaces



Organisation

- Movement is encouraged for students and teachers to collaborate and interact
- More than one teacher may be available to students within the learning environment
- Students learn in classes, small groups or individually



Teaching and learning

- Learning is personalised
- Learning is connected across different subject areas
- There is a focus on creativity and innovation with students prototyping, testing and using technology in creative ways



Technology

- Technology is integrated into spaces to extend learning opportunities
- WiFi is available everywhere including outdoors
- Specialist equipment is available for students to innovate, communicate and create

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Concept design site plan

The site maps and renders are at a concept design stage and are subject to change. The project scope and design will continue to evolve during future design phases as feedback from government agencies, stakeholders and the community is considered.

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| ① Vehicular drop off | ⑨ Multi-purpose sports court |
| ② Main arrival plaza | ⑩ Perimeter planting buffer |
| ③ Multi-purpose sports / flexible open space with running track | ⑪ Existing car parking |
| ④ Covered outdoor learning area (COLA) | ⑫ Free play space |
| ⑤ Hall | ⑬ Existing pathway |
| ⑥ Proposed amphitheatre / seating space | ⑭ Running track |
| ⑦ Gathering / learning spaces | ⑮ Covered walkway |
| ⑧ Outdoor learning / play | |



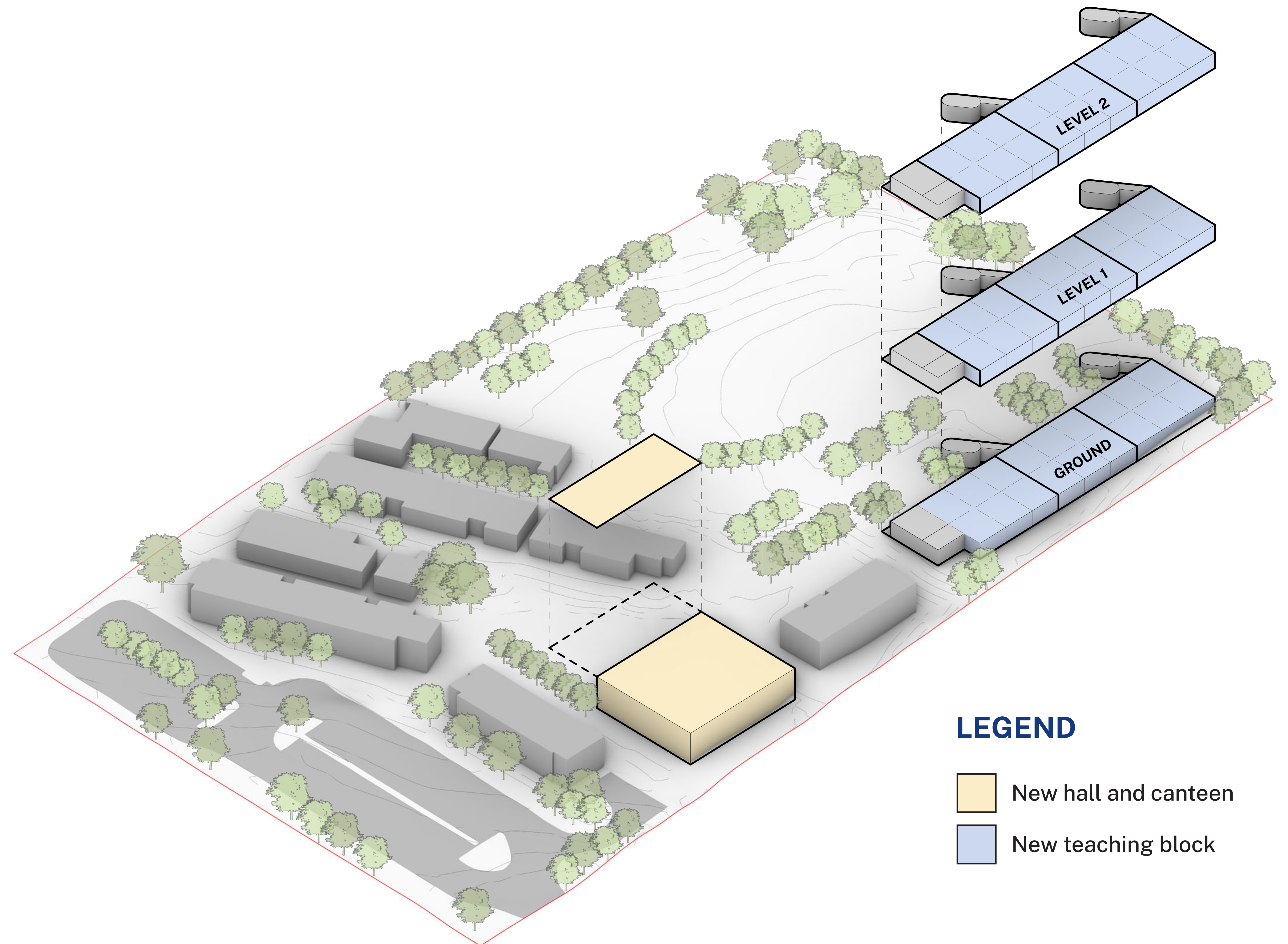
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What's next?

We will continue to work with key stakeholders so that we can deliver high quality education infrastructure for the local community. The next phase of planning aims to further develop the design to confirm the final layout of the school and its facilities. The early concept design for the Castle Hill Public School upgrade will be refined in consultation with a range of stakeholders with expertise in the design and operation of schools including principals and construction specialists, and with the community.

We look forward to sharing more information with you as the project progresses. In the meantime you can stay informed by regularly visiting the project web page and you can contact us via email or phone if you have any questions or feedback about the project.



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