

Chatswood Education Precinct

Information for parents, carers, staff, students and residents

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Artist impression of the Chatswood Education Precinct upgrade – Public School – Pacific Highway

The NSW Government is planning to build a landmark education precinct in Chatswood that will include the redevelopment of Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School.

Benefits:



more than **150** new and refurbished innovative learning and teaching spaces



increased quality active play space



specialist teaching facilities such as science, art and music rooms



dedicated performing arts spaces



new sports facilities and recreational areas



new libraries and administration facilities

Chatswood Education Precinct

The Department of Education is continuing with plans for the redevelopment of Chatswood High School and Chatswood Public School.

This landmark education precinct will deliver new and refurbished contemporary learning and teaching facilities at Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School including new classrooms, collaborative learning spaces, increased quality active play space, sports courts and associated facilities. The precinct will improve the educational outcomes and operational efficiencies for students and staff and support the needs of the Chatswood community.

The NSW Government is aware that both Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School have seen significant enrolment growth and is committed to delivering a purpose-built precinct.

Project update

School Infrastructure NSW received extensive feedback from school communities, residents and technical stakeholders demonstrating a need to review the early precinct designs.

The revised masterplan was announced in September 2019 and retains Chatswood Public School on the Pacific Highway site and Chatswood High School on the Centennial Avenue site. It more effectively utilises the topography of the land, protects heritage buildings,

preserves biodiversity zones and improves the quality active play space across both schools compared to current conditions.

Ongoing engagement with the school community, staff, NSW Government Architect's Office and other government agencies including Roads and Maritime Services, Transport for NSW and Willoughby Council will continue to further refine the revised masterplan.

The project team is preparing a Complying Development application for the construction of Building R, a new four-storey building to be located on the north east corner of Chatswood high school. The new building will accommodate high school students and is central to supporting the staged delivery of the project and minimising disruption during the Precinct construction. Works carried out as complying development must satisfy all development controls under State legislation and comply with conditions prescribed by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment. This is the only building to be submitted outside of the State Significant Development application.

What's next?

- Finalise the State Significant Development (SSD) submission anticipated for early 2020.
- Prepare Building R's Complying Development Certificate.
- Relocate the demountable buildings located in the north east corner of Chatswood High School closer to the northern end of the sports field to provide space for Building R.
- Continue to engage with school executive and staff to refine the SSD application.



Artist impression of the Chatswood Education Precinct upgrade – Public School – Pacific Highway

Public School – Pacific Highway

Three new multi-purpose buildings (P1, P2 and G)

Building P1

- 7 storeys
- General Learning Areas
- Special Support Programs

Building P2

- 4 storeys
- General Learning Areas
- Library
- Canteen

Building G (New hall)

- Single storey
- Out of school hours care
- Amenities

Refurbishment of existing two-storey buildings A and B

- General learning areas
- Administration
- Staff room



High School – Centennial Avenue

Four new buildings

Building T (new hall)

- Single storey
- Fixed stage
- Multi-purpose
- Gym and movement studio

Building Q

- General learning spaces
- Senior learning area
- Canteen
- Staff facilities
- Administration

Building S

- Performance facilities
- Visual arts
- Science learning spaces
- General learning spaces
- Outdoor learning
- Staff facilities

Building R

- General learning spaces
- Foodtech learning spaces
- iSTEAM learning spaces
- Special Support Unit

Refurbishment of existing buildings J (current Hall), H, K and M providing:

- New library
- Staff facilities
- Fitness areas
- General learning spaces
- Improved movement and access between buildings and to oval.



Indicative Precinct Staging

The Department is committed to providing a cohesive staging plan with minimal disruption to students and staff.

Stage 1

Centennial Avenue

- Move demountables near the oval closer to the northern end of the sports field to create space for the new Building R
- Commence construction of Building R on the north east corner of Chatswood High School
- Light refurbishment of existing Building K.

Pacific Highway

- No building works to Pacific Highway.
- Demolish fire damaged Building C and tree removal to facilitate installation of demountable in the same location as needed
- Relocate demountables on Pacific Highway to create space for Stage 2 works.

Stage 2

Centennial Avenue

- Relocate high school students to Building R and additional demountables across the site to allow for the construction of Building Q, T (new hall) and S
- Commence construction of Building Q, T and S.

Pacific Highway

- Commence construction of Buildings P1 and P2
- Relocate demountables as needed for decanting requirements
- Public School students remain in existing Buildings A, B, C, D, Bush Campus and demountables throughout P1 and P2 construction

Stage 3

Centennial Avenue

- Repurpose and refurbish Building J (existing hall) according to school operational requirements
- Light refurbishment of Building M and H
- Complete external landscape works.

Pacific Highway

- Demolish buildings C and D
- Construct games court and car park
- Complete external landscape works.

For more information

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible learning facilities for students. We encourage feedback from the school and local community about the Chatswood Education Precinct.

We will keep the local school community and residents informed with project update newsletters, information booths and website updates.

Stay informed



Website

Stay up to date by visiting the School Infrastructure NSW website schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au



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