Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing $6.7 billion over four years to deliver more than 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.

The NSW Department of Education is committed to delivering new and upgraded schools for communities across NSW. The delivery of these important projects is essential to the future learning needs of our students and supports growth in the local economy.

Upgrades to Chatswood Public School and Chatswood High School will deliver:

- more than 150 new and refurbished learning and teaching spaces
- increased quality active play space currently allocated to both schools
- specialist teaching facilities such as maths, science and art rooms
- dedicated performing arts spaces and music rooms at the high school
- new sports facilities and recreational areas
- new libraries and administration facilities.

Progress summary

- The public exhibition period for the State Significant Development (SSD) application has closed. You can continue to view the application on the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment’s (DPIE) major projects webpage: https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/10561.
- The Complying Development application for Building R at Chatswood High School was submitted to a private certifier in April. Building R is positioned near the high school sports field and is central to supporting the staged delivery of the project.
- In preparation for construction at Chatswood High School, demountable classrooms were installed to the north of the sports field during the Term 1 break.
- The request for tender for the construction of the upgrades at both schools is now open and will close in late May 2020.

Next steps

- DPIE will review all SSD submissions received.
- The project team will review the tender submissions for the design and construction works at both schools.
- Following the determination of Building R’s Complying Development application, preparation will start on the formal lodgement of the Complying Development Certificate scheduled for late 2020.
- The Intensive English Centre will be relocated from Chatswood High School to St Ives High School for Day 1, Term 4, 2020.

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