

Green Square Public School and Community Spaces Project update | July 2023



Project overview

The Green Square Public School and Community Spaces will be delivered by the Department of Education in partnership with the City of Sydney. It will provide fit-for-purpose learning spaces and core facilities to meet local enrolment demand as well as a range of spaces for community use.

The school will be in Green Square on the former Royal South Sydney Hospital site on Joynton Avenue. This project is jointly funded by the NSW Government and the City of Sydney and will include flexible teaching spaces, a library and canteen, staff rooms, administrative offices and amenities, a covered outdoor learning area (COLA), multipurpose spaces (community and shared spaces), out of school hours care (OSHC), a games court and adjacent courtyard (shared spaces).

Progress summary

We are completing bulk earthworks and digging the trenches that will hold the new school and community spaces' water drainage and sewerage system. We have installed the onsite stormwater detention (OSD) tank, an underground concrete tank that will slow the release of stormwater from the site to the public stormwater infrastructure.

Concrete has been poured at the base of the building's elevator and where a large crane will be installed to construct the new building. The building contractor is procuring trades and other items such as scaffolding, structural steel, aluminium glazing, ceilings, and plasterboard. Timber hoarding surrounding the construction site is being installed to prepare for the next stage of works.

Next steps

With groundworks almost complete, we have begun working on the facility's foundations. A detailed description of these works which include piling and footing works can be found in the <u>March 2023 project update</u>. Once these works are complete, concrete slabs will be poured at the base of the new buildings, the main crane will be installed, and structural works will begin.

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Timeline update and enrolment process

The main works contractor is developing a detailed program for the project. We expect to have an estimated completion date in the coming months.

We can confirm the school will not be open for the start of term 1, 2024. The school enrolment intake area for the new school will be confirmed closer to the opening and will be based on up to date demographic data and projections.

We will publish intake area and enrolment information when construction nears completion. In the meantime, School Finder can help parents locate NSW public schools in their intake area. This can be accessed at <u>schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au</u>

Safety on site

The safety of the community and our workers is a priority and site-specific safety measures are adhered to daily at the site of the new facilities. All work follows SafeWork NSW regulations and the site's remediation action plan. This plan can be viewed at eplanning.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au, reference D/2020/923/A.

As a precaution, some workers will continue to wear personal protective equipment when required during the entire construction period. Precautionary measures to ensure the safety of the community and our workers also include conducting daily air monitoring, hosing down as a dust suppressant measure and constantly assessing environmental impacts such as high winds.

Hoarding artwork

Artwork created by local artist Elin Matilda Anderson will be installed on the timber hoarding surrounding the project site over the coming months. The artwork is called *Koala 4ever* and is a homage to one of the most iconic and wonderful members of the Australian community. The City of Sydney's creative hoardings program provides opportunities for artists to showcase their work on a large scale in highly visible locations. Read more about the program at https://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/cultural-support-funding/creative-hoardings-program.

Koala 4Eva by Elin Matilda Anderson



Get in touch

All information about the project is at <u>schoolifrastructure.nsw.gov.au</u>, just search for <u>Green Square Primary School and</u> <u>community spaces</u>. If you have any feedback or questions about this project please contact us.

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