

Gillieston Public School

Works update

August 2022

A project is underway to redevelop Gillieston Public School. The project includes replacing demountables on the existing site and providing fit-for-purpose learning spaces.

Asset Management Unit works

A number of short to medium term improvement projects are also underway at Gillieston Public School. These are being delivered by the Asset Management Unit (AMU) separately to the capital works redevelopment project, and will include: installing a demountable hub to provide out of school hours care (OSHC) facilities; accessibility improvements including covered walkways; upgrading the school fencing; and connecting the school to the town sewer.

Site investigations and planning for these AMU works are underway:

- Consultants have been appointed to investigate options for the sewer, develop the design, and submit the required application to Hunter Water in the coming months.
- The preferred location for the OSHC Hub has been confirmed with the school and due diligence planning and the associated Review of Environmental Factors, Council notification and adjoining landowner notifications have all been completed. Preparatory works to facilitate the installation of the building will start once the site can be safely accessed.
- Ramped access to the boy's toilet demountable is being planned.
- Ramped access to the canteen/hall demountable will be installed at the same time as the OSHC Hub installation.
- The construction of covered walkways to service main paths of travel within the school is currently in progress.
- Works to refurbish four demountable buildings progressed during the Winter school holidays and will continue in Term 3. These works are being planned with the principal to minimise disruption to the school's daily operations.
- A joint site inspection of the school's existing boundary fencing has been undertaken with the school, AMU and School Security Unit to determine the scope of potential upgrades. AMU are currently preparing a delivery strategy.

Please note that Cessnock Road, Gillieston, has been closed in multiple locations due to flood waters as a result of recent rain events, preventing access to Gillieston Public School. This impacted the delivery of various maintenance, improvement and investigative works which were planned for the Winter school holiday period.

We appreciate your patience while we work towards delivering these important projects and will continue to keep the community updated.

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