## **NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure**



# Gillieston Public School redevelopment

Project update | December 2022

## Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$8.6 billion in school infrastructure over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver 160 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This builds on the more than \$9.1 billion invested in projects delivered since 2017, a program of \$17.7 billion in public education infrastructure.

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.

#### Gillieston Public School redevelopment

The NSW Government is increasing its investment in public education infrastructure, with funding for 23 new and upgraded school projects announced as part of the NSW 2022/23 Budget. This includes funding for the redevelopment of Gillieston Public School to replace the current existing demountables on site with permanent facilities.

#### **Progress summary**

Consultants have been engaged and are working on the masterplan for the redevelopment, which is progressing well. We are consulting on the masterplan with the Project Reference Group and will share it with the community after it has been further developed. We expect this to be early 2023.

#### **Next steps**

Geotechnical testing is required to help inform design of the new facilities. These investigations provide information on the underlying site and ground conditions to inform the structural design and location of the buildings.

These works involve digging a number of boreholes through soil and bedrock, across the site within the school boundary. Work will start in the first week of the school holidays on Monday 19 December and should be completed over the next week or so. The boreholes will be around six metres deep and each hole will take approximately an hour to dig and refill. Excavation will

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involve the use of a vehicle-mounted drill rig which is roughly as loud as a commercial mower. We thank you for your patience while we conduct these important investigations.

### Update on minor works

Separate to the capital works project, the Asset Management Unit have been delivering a number of short to medium projects at Gillieston Public School. The following progress has been made:

- The geotechnical survey and investigations for the sewer upgrade have been completed. Consultation is scheduled for the coming months to determine the best option to accommodate future growth.
- New demountables for toilets and homebases are now on site and will be ready for use by Day 1 Term 1 2023.
- The ramp to the canteen/hall will be completed over the summer holidays, ready for use by Day 1 Term 1 2023.
- Installation of the security fence to the school perimeter is underway.
- The out of school hours care (OSHC) demountable has been handed over and is ready for occupation.
- The covered walkways to the main path and demountable refurbishment works have been completed.

#### Work hours

All work will be carried out during standard construction hours which are Monday to Friday 7 am to 5 pm, and Saturday 8 am to 1 pm. No works will take place on Sundays or public holidays unless notified.

If you have any queries or concerns about this project you can contact School Infrastructure NSW during business hours on 1300 482 651. School Infrastructure NSW will be closed from 5 pm Friday 23 December 2022 to 9 am Monday 9 January 2023, inclusive, in line with the NSW Government shut down period. During this time, if there is an emergency, please call triple zero (000).

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