

Gillieston Public School

Works notification | 10 February 2023

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.

Due diligence investigations

Due diligence investigations were conducted at the school site in January 2023. These investigations included soil sampling and geo-technical studies to inform the ground conditions for the redevelopment project.

During this testing, hazardous materials in the form of lead and zinc were discovered in the ground in the north-western corner of the site, adjacent to Block D.

Further investigation and remediation activities

Based on recommendations from the independent hygienist, we have isolated the area with temporary fencing and covered the affected sections of ground with geotech fabric to prevent soil displacement.

Further investigations into these materials are taking place today, Friday 10 February 2023. Remediation will be carried out in accordance with the recommended remediation methodology from the independent hygienist.

All remediation works will take place outside of school hours. Safety measures are in place to ensure there is no risk to students, staff or the local community. The area will continue to remain out of bounds to students and staff until a clearance certificate has been issued.

The health, safety and well-being of the school and the local community is our highest priority and we will continue to keep the community updated.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

