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Gregory Hills Public School Project update | November 2021

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The NSW Government is investing \$7.9 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver 215 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. 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.

Project overview

The NSW 2021/22 Budget committed funding to deliver a new primary school in Gregory Hills for the local community.

The school will be located at Gregory Hills Drive (surrounded by Wallarah Circuit and Long Reef Circuit) and will include fit-for-purpose learning spaces and core facilities to support the growing area. See location on map overleaf.

Progress summary

Early planning is now complete and we will progress planning and start the statutory approval process to deliver the project. The project team including project managers, architects, and traffic and transport planners will be appointed to continue developing plans for the new school.

School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) is undertaking a concept design review to align the delivery model with the Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) methodology. This method of construction has many benefits including:

• Time savings and less impacts - reduce on-site construction assembly time by up to 30 per cent, and also means less impact on the local community.

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- Improved health, safety and productivity MMC uses off-site manufacturing to deliver building components and modules to site. This means safer workplaces for manufacturing and on-site construction teams.
- Improved sustainability As a consequence of manufacturing precision being applied to construction, MMC can reduce carbon emissions, water and material waste by more than 30 per cent.

For more information on modern methods of construction and images of a recently completed school visit <u>https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/what-we-do/we-build-schools/modern-construction-methods.html</u>

Next steps

A Project Reference Group (PRG) will be established and a preferred concept design will be confirmed at this phase. This involves consultation with key Education stakeholders and the school leadership team in the region before sharing more information with the community.

Once a preferred option is identified, a State Significant Development application will be lodged, and tendering for a contractor is needed in order to progress to delivery of the project.

How can I get involved?

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible learning facilities for students. Your feedback on this project is important to us. We will invite the community to upcoming information sessions and you can contact us on the details below. Visit https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/n/New-primary-school-in-Gregory-Hills.html for regular updates.



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