

Hurlstone Agricultural High School

Project update

April 2022

Investing in our schools

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 Government is investing in the future of Hurlstone Agricultural High School to continue its reputation in providing educational services excellence to students in NSW. We are upgrading the boarding facilities and building a new farm hub at Hurlstone Agricultural High School.

The boarding upgrade will deliver:

- 180 student accommodation beds
- dorm monitor rooms
- senior and junior common rooms
- amenities
- overnight accommodation for rostered duty staff
- two permanent staff residences in Block A.

The new farm hub will deliver:

- dairy shed
- milking parlour
- dairy processing equipment
- viewing gallery
- co-located learning space
- calf, beef and pig sheds
- horticulture
- commodity sheds and storage facilities
- new equipment
- irrigation systems
- staff and student amenities
- relocation and reconstruction of the sheep shed, chicken pens and aquaculture facility.

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NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure

Progress update

We are finalising the concept design of the new school facilities which considers the educational, operational and service delivery requirements of Hurlstone Agricultural High School.

In preparation for the start of early works construction, temporary relocation works were undertaken over the summer holiday period. Students were relocated to Blocks E and Z dormitories and temporary amenities were installed adjacent to Block E and Z with covered walkways.

An early works construction contract was awarded in March 2022 to INTREC Management Pty Ltd.

Next steps

Early works site establishment will start mid April 2022. Following this, the early works will start, which involve:

- demolition of student accommodation Blocks B, C and N
- demolition of the existing swimming pool.
- upgrade works to Block A.

Perimeter fencing will be installed around Block A, B, C and N, the pool and the contractor's site compound. This will form the construction work zone and prevent public access to the site (see map overleaf showing the site layout). Site amenities will be installed inside the work zone for contractor use during construction.

Preparation for the demolition of Block C, B and N, and the pool will involve the disconnection of services. Demolition will involve the use of heavy machineries such as excavators and bulldozers and may be noisy at times. Initial upgrade works to Block A are to prepare the building for partial internal refurbishment, including roof replacement and water damage remediation.

Working hours

Working hours will be 7 am to 6 pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 3pm Saturday. Noisy works or activities and deliveries will start from 9am on Saturdays, with all other site activities to start from 8am. No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays unless otherwise notified.

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Frequently asked questions

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How long is early works construction expected to take?

At this stage in the project, we are expecting that the early works component of the project will be completed by mid-2022. This includes site establishment, demolition of student accommodation Blocks B, C and N, upgrade works to Block A and demolition of the existing swimming pool.

How will dust and noise be managed during early works?

Any activity that could exceed approved construction noise management levels will be managed in accordance with the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. Noise will be kept to a minimum as best as possible during the construction, and dust as a result of demolition and excavation will be hosed as required. Trucks making deliveries to the site will have their loads covered. The site will undergo periodic air monitoring and noise and dust will be appropriately managed throughout construction in accordance with the project's construction and environmental management plans.

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

How will traffic impacts be managed during the early works?

During early works construction, contractor access to the site will be via both Boarders Bend and Z Bend, accessed from Roy Watts Road. There will be limited access to Boarders Bend and Z Bend during this period. The movement of construction vehicles will be restricted during peak times to limit congestion around the school, and traffic control measures will be in place where necessary

How will we minimise impacts to students, staff and neighbours during the early works?

School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) is committed to ensuring that construction work is completed safely and efficiently and with minimal impact to students, staff and the local community. Rigorous safety and security measures will be in place for the duration of the works. This will include the construction area being fenced and surveillance systems installed. There will be no access to the construction area by staff or students. Traffic control will be in place as required to manage pedestrian and vehicular movements near the access points.

A COVID safe site management plan will be implemented during the entire construction period and School Infrastructure NSW's regular site safety inspections and audits will continue over this time.

The SINSW project team will have regular consultations with the school to discuss construction progress. Any safety concerns will be addressed to ensure the safety and security of students and staff at all times.

How will school functions operate during the early works?

The project has been designed to ensure there is minimal impact on the school operations, including any school functions that may be held during this time. There will be continuous consultation with the school to discuss any functions, and measures will be put in place to ensure construction impacts are minimised.

Thank you for your patience while we deliver this important school infrastructure.

How can I get involved?

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible facilities for students. Your feedback on this project is important to us.

For more information, questions or to make a comment please email us at <u>schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au</u> or phone 1300 482 651.

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