# NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure

# **Hurlstone Agricultural High School**

Project and community engagement update

December 2020



## Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 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 New South Wales. 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**

We are currently designing a project at Hurlstone Agricultural High School. Following consultation with the school community, parents, carers, alumni and industry in early 2020, we have reviewed feedback and refined our plans for the project. The project includes the following proposed upgrades:

- a new farm layout
- farm upgrade, including the dairy
- boarding upgrade to accommodate a cohort of 180 students.

The proposed upgrades reflect the rich heritage of Hurlstone as an exemplar agricultural education facility. They support its modernisation and the delivery of contemporary agricultural education to students.

#### **Progress summary**

We have developed masterplans for farming and boarding upgrades.

We would like to show the community how plans for the school have progressed and how we have incorporated feedback from consultation in early 2020.

Once this consultation is complete, the project will be lodged for approval in late 2020.

#### You're invited to a virtual consultation

The health and safety of students, staff and community is our priority. We are temporarily changing some of the ways we keep you informed about this project to account for social distancing measures.

We have developed an online community information session to provide the community with an alternative way to hear about this project, ask questions, and provide your feedback.

You're invited to our virtual consultation room:



**Date:** From 9:00am Wednesday 9 December to 5:00pm Wednesday 23 December 2020.

**Location:** Visit the <u>SINSW website</u> at any time, day or night during this period to enter the virtual consultation.

To access a physical or emailed version of the project content, please get in touch with us via email or phone.

#### **Next steps**

Once the consultation is complete, we will consider all feedback received. We will then finalise the business case and seek approval to proceed to delivery.

As the project progresses, we'll share more information and encourage further questions and feedback.

## Keep in touch

The SINSW website will have up to date information about this project. You can also contact our community information line and email on the details below.

## For more information contact:

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# **Hurlstone Agricultural High School project**

Funding has been allocated to allow for master planning of upgrades to the farm and boarding facilities. The information below takes you through the journey of upgrading a school.

#### Planning and Design

- Consideration, studies and due diligence assessments of school requirements, the condition of the existing buildings, heritage requirements and statutory planning requirements.
- Doing so means that we consider the needs of boarders, ensure facilities are fit for purpose for current and future students.

 Consultants such as architects and project managers begin to be appointed.

- The site is investigated and reviewed for the development of master plan options, considering general size, shape and form of buildings.
- A Project Reference Group (PRG) is established to consider operational, educational and service delivery factors.
- Operational, educational and service delivery factors are understood and considered by the PRG.
- Once a preferred concept design option is identified, approval is needed to progress from planning through to project delivery.



