

# Irrawang High School upgrade

Project update | September 2023

# **Project overview**

A project is underway to upgrade Irrawang High School to bring students the latest educational facilities and support the local community.

The project has moved into the delivery phase and, subject to planning approval, will deliver:

- new learning hub with 8 general learning spaces and 6 support learning spaces
- expansion and refurbishment of the library
- new school entry
- new support student drop-off / pick-up area.

#### **Progress summary**

A Development Application (DA) was submitted to Port Stephens Council in January 2023 and was placed on public exhibition for submissions in February 2023.

The construction contract has been awarded to Richard Crookes Constructions. We will work with the contractor to further progress the detailed design and develop the program of works to deliver the Irrawang High School upgrade.

## Development Application on re-exhibition 25 September – 9 October 2023

Port Stephens Council have provided some feedback on the development application in order to align some design elements with the Council Development Control Plan. These changes have been made and are currently being re-exhibited by the Port Stephens Council for 14 days.

Changes to the original scope are outlined on the next page. The DA is available to view on the Council website under Development Applications on Exhibition:

The DA number is 16-2023-42-1. All submissions can be made directly to Council during the exhibition period.

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# Key change to the original scope

To align with the Port Stephens Council Development Control Plan, we have continued to refine the design of the facility and have made some minor changes to the existing carpark by extending it to accommodate 39 spaces. In the original application, there were no works proposed to the carpark.

The submission also includes other minor improvements which will benefit the project.

### **Next steps**

We expect the DA to be formally approved later in 2023, after which construction work will begin.

We will keep the community informed about the status of the project's statutory planning approvals and notify you before construction work starts.

# Keep in touch

The School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) website will continue to have up-to- date information about the Irrawang High School upgrade on the project page at https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/i/irrawang-high-school-upgrade.html

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