

Jindabyne Education Campus

Frequently asked questions

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What is the project delivering?

Planning is underway to build a new education campus in the special activation precinct, including a new primary school and a new high school. Once complete, students and staff from the Jindabyne Central School will come together to form a new student population at the Jindabyne education campus. Once the transition is complete the existing school site will cease to operate.

What will the schools provide?

The schools will be equipped with modern facilities and new learning spaces for the growing student communities at Jindabyne. The primary and high schools will have new libraries, new halls, covered learning areas and play space.

When will the new primary and high schools in Jindabyne be open?

It is planned that facilities will be open for students, Term 1 2023.

Why was the Office of Sport and Recreation site chosen as the new schools site location?

The Office of Sport and Recreation site presents the advantage of building new facilities that are future proofed to accommodate the growing population of Jindabyne. The site location also allows opportunities for both schools to share facilities with the local community and enable joint use agreements.

What is the proposed enrolment and catchment area?

The catchment for the new schools in Jindabyne will be confirmed closer to the school opening. This is because we need to base it on the most up to date demographic data. Information about the number of school-age children living in the local area and attending public primary and secondary schools is crucial in determining the catchment for the new schools.

What's different about the way these new schools will be delivered?

The schools will be delivered using the Design for Manufacture and Assembly (DfMA) method.

DfMA offers the combination of off-site manufacture, on-site assembly and plenty of options to customise building design while providing more certainty about quality, cost and delivery.

What are the plans are for the current central school site?

No decision has been made at this stage, however the current central school site is no longer big enough to

accommodate the number of student as well as cater for the future growth of Jindabyne.

The future plans for the current site will be determined in conjunction with community consultation.

What are the benefits of DfMA?

DfMA allows the NSW Government to maximise available land and minimise impact to schools and local communities as new permanent buildings and upgrades are delivered in shorter timeframes. There is also potential for improved value-for-money.

As the manufacturing of components takes place in a controlled factory setting, it allows for greater predictability and precision, reduction of construction-related impacts (traffic, noise, dust etc.) and defects, less waste of materials and improved working conditions. Projects are also less impacted by bad weather.

DfMA assets can also be disassembled, re-purposed or re-assembled for use elsewhere.

What are the next steps?

We will continue to undertake site due diligence studies and develop the master plan for the new schools on the Office of Sport and Recreation site and will continue to consult with stakeholders and the community in its development.

The Final Business Case will be submitted to NSW Treasury for funding approval in late 2020, before planning approval is sought and a construction contractor tendered.

What engagement will you undertake with the community?

We are temporarily changing some of the ways we keep you informed about our project in your community to account for social distancing measures.

Until further notice we will primarily share information with our communities online.

In addition, the Community Information Hub will be visiting Jindabyne from Tuesday 8 December to Friday 11 December. You can book into a session with the following link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-information-hub-jindabyne-education-campus-tickets-128587942999>.

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