NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure



# A new high school in Bungendore

## Project update

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### 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.

#### **Progress summary**

The Department of Education is continuing planning to deliver a new high school in the Majara / Gibraltar Streets precinct of Bungendore to accommodate more than 450 students. The project will also deliver upgraded facilities at Bungendore Public School.

The project team is refining and developing the design in response to the feedback received from key stakeholders during the exhibition of the State Significant Development (SSD) application. Consultation and engagement is ongoing with these stakeholders and the community will be updated once the design progresses. A Response to Submissions report will also be submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment and made available to the public.

The Department has initiated the acquisition process for the required parcels of land to build the new school. We will keep the community updated on the progress of this process.

#### Location of the school and next steps

The Department notes that Queanbeyan–Palerang Regional Council tabled and passed a motion in relation to the new high school project at a recent Council meeting. Whilst this may impact the scope of community facilities to be delivered in partnership with Council, the project to deliver the school remains unchanged. The Department will continue to work with Council to realise the many student and community benefits of the Majara/Gibraltar Streets Precinct and to address feedback raised in its formal response to the SSD application.

We understand local families are seeking information about the future operations of the new high school. Updates to the local community, including progress on the SSD application, enrolment information and details about the start of school operations, will be communicated at the first opportunity.

We look forward to starting early works at the earliest opportunity and we will notify the community ahead of any works taking place on the new high school project including Bungendore Public School.

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