### NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure



## Passfield Park School for Specific Purposes

Project update

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#### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over four years to deliver more than 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. 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.

#### **Passfield Park School**

A project is underway to redevelop Passfield Park School for Specific Purposes. The project is being fast tracked to meet the requirements of the school and the community. The project will deliver:

- 16 new permanent teaching spaces
- a new library and a hall
- a new entrance and drop off area for parents, carers and students
- new modern core facilities including staff and administration areas
- a new covered outdoor learning area (COLA)
- a new indoor sports facility.

#### **Progress summary**

The concept design is complete (please refer to images in this update) and development of the detailed design is progressing well. The main construction works has gone out to tender. The preparation of documentation for planning approval has started.

#### Next steps

After the tender period has closed, submissions will be evaluated and the contract awarded. The project will seek development approval through the Complying Development Certificate (CDC) and Review of Environmental Factors (REF) pathways.

Construction will start shortly after the contract has been awarded and development approval provided, which is expected in late 2020.

#### Keeping you updated

We will keep you updated and provide more information about the construction timetable in the coming months.

Your feedback on this project is important to us. To ask a question or make a comment please contact us at details below.

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#### Frequently asked questions

## What is a Complying Development Certificate (CDC)?

Complying development is a planning pathway that combines planning and construction approval for a straightforward development that can be determined through a fast-track assessment by a council or an accredited certifier.

The hall, indoor sports facility and a number of permanent teaching spaces meet the complying development criteria for location, height, area, use and construction value.

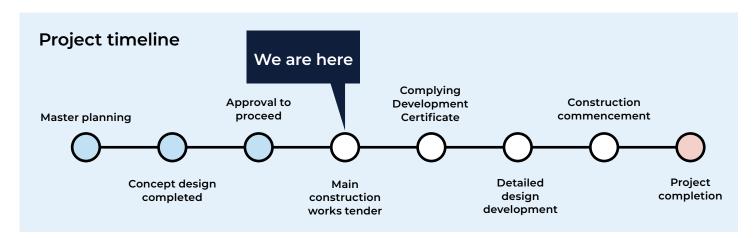
#### What is a Review of Environmental Factors (REF)?

An REF is an environmental assessment that examines the potential environmental impacts of a proposed development and the measures required to reduce adverse impacts to the environment.

The library, administration area, car park, COLA and landscaped areas meet the REF criteria.

# How long does the CDC / REF development pathway take?

The expected timeframe to gain development approval through the CDC / REF pathway is different for each project. We will keep you up to date as the project progresses.







Concept design of the Passfield Park School redevelopment (artist impressions)

