



Artist impression of the new school entrance and admin building

Punchbowl Public School

Project update | December 2023

Project overview

As part of the NSW Government's plan to rebuild essential services, the 2023-24 Budget is delivering a record \$8.8 billion for new and upgraded schools. This targeted investment in growing communities will ensure working families get access to a world class public education.

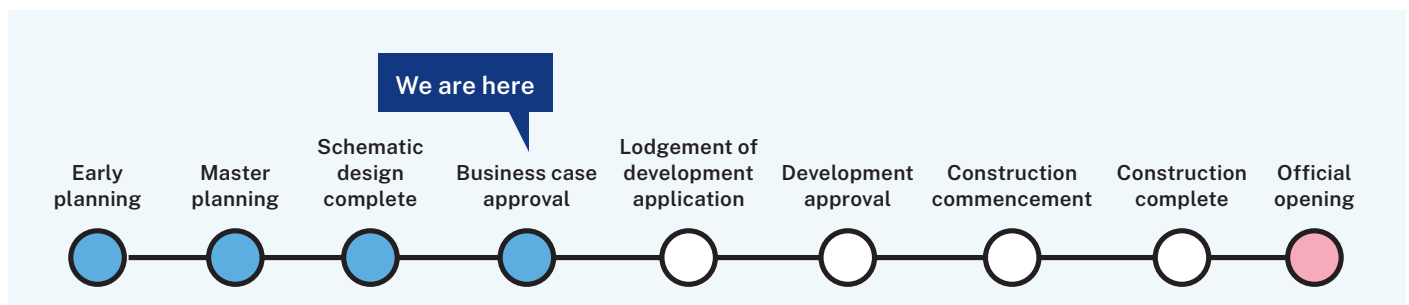
The 2023-24 Budget committed funding to progress with the upgrade to Punchbowl Public School. The project is in the procurement phase and it is anticipated the upgrade will include:

- Additional fit-for-purpose permanent classrooms and core facilities;
- Relocation of the administration unit to enable better security and street presence for the school; and
- Upgrade and refurbishment of the early intervention and support classrooms.

The final scope of the upgrade is subject to planning approvals and other assessments.

Progress update

- The Final Business Case was submitted to NSW Treasury for approval in April 2023 and has now been approved.
- The tender for the contract for the main works construction has closed and will be awarded soon.
- Two temporary demountable classrooms were installed in September/October 2023 and the existing Block L (Support Learning) was removed from site early December 2023 in preparation for demolition works. Support Learning students will remain in these temporary classrooms until the upgrade works and refurbishment is complete.



Next steps

- The main works contractor will soon be appointed.
- The time frame for completion of the works will be determined once we have appointed a contractor. School Infrastructure NSW and the contractor will work with the school to keep construction impacts to the school community to a minimum.
- Over the summer school holiday period, staff will move out of the current Block B (Kindergarten classrooms). Kindergarten will be located in Block D until the completion of the new building.
- Please note the scope and design is indicative and subject to change pending approvals and the next stages of design and planning approval.
- We will provide an update early 2024 about the progress of the contract award and next steps.

What is the planning pathway?

The planning approval pathway for the demolition works to start at Punchbowl Public School will be a Review of Environmental Factors (REF).

A REF examines the significance of likely environmental impacts of a proposal and details the measures required to mitigate adverse impacts to the environment.

The REF will be reviewed by our statutory planning team, to ensure we have considered all impacts before works begin.

The remainder of the works will be delivered under a Complying Development Certificate (CDC), which the contractor will be responsible for once appointed.

Staying informed

We are committed to working together with our school communities and stakeholders to deliver the best learning facilities for students. As the project progresses, we will share details with the community for their feedback.

Visit the project website at edu.nsw.link/PunchbowlPSUpgrade or scan the QR code for all the project details, current and past project updates and documentation.



If you wish to sign up to receive our updates via email, you can do so on the 'get involved' tab of the website.

The School Infrastructure NSW office will be closed from 5 pm Friday 22 December 2023 to 9 am Monday 8 January 2024, inclusive. You can continue to contact us during this time, and we will get back to you after we return.



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