



Marsden High School

Planning update | October 2021

Investing in our schools and community infrastructure

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.

As NSW is experiencing extraordinary population growth in Sydney and major regional centres, integrated government planning is needed to optimise use of facilities. This will ensure that NSW residents have access to open spaces as well as community, recreational and sporting infrastructure.

The NSW Government is making sure new and upgraded school infrastructure is planned, designed and constructed with joint use in mind by considering schools as an integrated part of a community's social infrastructure. The Department of Education's joint use strategy places schools at the heart of their communities, opening them up for a broader range of uses.

Project overview

Marsden High School will relocate to the new Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct in Term 2, 2022. In the meantime, planning continues for the Marsden High School site. It is proposed that a multi-sports facility is built, which would feature:

- an indoor sports centre including four multi-purpose courts and the gymnasium
- 32 outdoor netball courts
- a kiosk
- public amenities
- on-site car parking
- landscaping.

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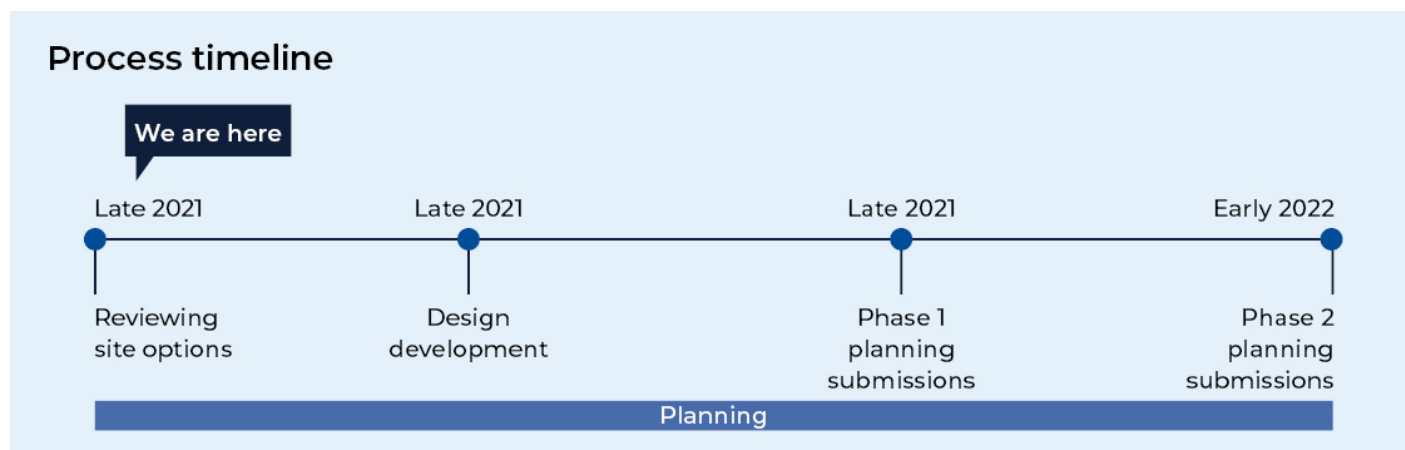
Progress Summary

We are currently reviewing site options, in consultation with council and local community organisations. We are also about to start the statutory planning process for the project. A series of planning submissions will be lodged with Ryde City Council to seek planning and development consent for the new multi-sports facility.

The two-phase planning submission approach will include a Development Application (DA) to Ryde City Council:

- Phase 1 – remove the structures and buildings from the site after the school has relocated.
- Phase 2 – seek approval to build the multi-sports facility on the site.

Council will place Phase 1 and 2 planning submissions on public exhibition, and you will have an opportunity to provide feedback directly to council. The timeline below shows the indicative dates for the project.



Next steps

Over the coming weeks, we will undertake site investigations at the school, including an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment. This work is for the planning submissions and involves using small excavators and hand tools at various locations across the school site.

A Development Application will be lodged with Ryde City Council late 2021 to seek consent to remove the buildings on site after the school has relocated. When the DA is on public exhibition, you can make submissions directly to Ryde City Council.

We will progress the design of the multi-sports facility and lodge planning approval with Ryde City Council in 2022. We will also release a request for tender to contractors for the new building works. Construction works would not begin until the DA is approved and the school has moved to its new location.

We will keep you informed of the project as it progresses. We look forward to delivering this exciting project for the local community.

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