

Artist impression of the south-west aerial view of the facility

West Ryde Multi-Sports Facility

Project update

August 2022

Investing in the community

As NSW is experiencing 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 communities' needs in mind. The NSW Department of Education's joint use strategy places school sites at the heart of their communities, opening them up for a broader range of uses.

Project overview

In Term 2, 2022 Marsden High School moved to the new, purpose-built Meadowbank Employment and Education Precinct located on Rhodes Street, Meadowbank.

School Infrastructure NSW is redeveloping the original Marsden High School site to a new community multi-sports facility with a focus on one of NSW's highest participation sports, netball.

NSW Department of Education is committed to community outcomes. By repurposing Marsden High School, we will be able to deliver a new community asset that supports health, wellbeing and economic growth in the local area.

The new facility is expected to be a valuable community asset delivering more recreation space for local residents and athletes.

Subject to planning approval, the project will deliver:

- a new 5,000sqm indoor courts facility with 4 multipurpose courts and ancillary spaces for use by a number of indoor sports
- 32 outdoor netball courts and associated amenities
- landscaping, including the addition of an E2 ecological protection zone, communal space with open lawns, picnic tables and seating
- new car and bicycle parking spaces.

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Progress summary

A Complying Development Certificate (CDC) was issued earlier this year for above-ground demolition of the former school buildings. To date the school administration building has been fully removed and hazardous material remediations have started from the administration building towards the east of the site.

A development application (DA) lodged with City of Ryde Council earlier this year for below-ground demolition was approved this month, allowing for in-ground demolition to progress.

A Planning Proposal to rezone the site from educational to recreational use and to create an ecological protected zone was lodged with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) earlier this month.

The main works DA for the construction works of the facility and outdoor courts has been submitted to the City of Ryde Council.

Next steps

Above and below ground demolition of the former school buildings will continue throughout the year.

Work on the design of the facility will continue in consultation with City of Ryde Council, the NSW Department of Education and technical stakeholders.

A Planning Proposal to rezone the site from educational to recreational use will be exhibited by the City of Ryde Council throughout August 2022. Formal approval of the proposal is expected in late 2022.

The main works DA is with City of Ryde Council for a response. We expect the application to be formally received by Council and exhibited on their website later in 2022.

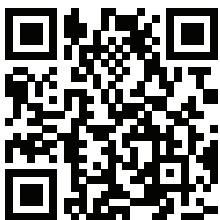
Community information session

We are committed to working together with our communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible facilities. Your feedback on this project is important to us.

We are hosting a drop-in information session on Thursday 18 August from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Ermington Public School hall at Winbourne Street, West Ryde.

The information session provides an opportunity for the local community to learn more about the new facility and ask questions of the project team. You can attend at any time between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm as this will not be a presentation. In the interest of public safety we encourage anyone attending to wear a mask.

Stay up to date about this project by scanning the QR code or visiting: edu.nsw.link/WestRydeMSF.



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