NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure

Young High School upgrade and joint-use library and community facility

Project update and Autumn holiday works notification 24 March 2021

Dear School Community and Neighbours,

We are writing to provide an update on the progress of site investigations and to confirm the order of works for the new joint use library and community facility including work to be undertaken during the Autumn holidays for Young High School and the Hilltops Community.

Update on investigations

School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) has completed ground penetrating radar scans, underfloor investigations by a timber specialist and on-site excavations to depths of 3 metres as part of the due diligence into reports of an historic underground tunnel. No evidence of a tunnel has been found.

Archaeological salvage works on the site, overseen by an independent heritage consultant, have uncovered an old rubbish pit with an intact glass bottle. In line with agreed practice, work in that location was paused to allow consultation with Heritage NSW to occur to determine the next steps. While we wait on formal advice from Heritage NSW, the schedule of work will be reordered to reduce any delays to project delivery.

Changes to the works program

This means that the project will bring forward the refurbishment works to the existing library. The existing library will be refurbished and a temporary library will be set up in the Hall of block AA.

It is anticipated that construction on the library refurbishment will start early in Term 2, 2021 with a completion date in Term 4, 2021.

Once completed the temporary library in the hall will be relocated to the newly refurbished building.

Autumn school holiday works

The Autumn school holiday works include:

- Relocation of the existing library to the temporary library in the Hall of block AA
- Continuation of archaeological salvage works (pending Heritage NSW approval)
- Continuation of the toilet and canteen works due to be finished during term 2.

Construction work hours

Work will occur in accordance with the approved SSD conditions.

- Monday to Friday: 7:00am to 5:00pm
- Saturdays: 8:00am to 3:00pm



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We will continue to keep you updated on the works and progress.

Thank you

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