

# Lucas Heights Community School

Works notification | 12 December 2022

Dear neighbour,

Works to remove and safely dispose of contaminated soil at Lucas Heights Community School will start on 19 December 2022, and are expected to finish before 27 January 2023.

The works are part of a comprehensive Remediation Action Plan (RAP), developed between School Infrastructure NSW, an independent hygienist, and the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

The project will involve remediating the grounds at Lucas Heights Community School adjacent to New Illawarra Road and the areas between the primary and secondary school (between Block Q and Block A in the primary school and Block M in the secondary school).

The area to be remediated will be cordoned off and safety measures will be implemented including dust suppression, truck washing, fencing, and installing air monitors before works start. Air monitoring is a control measure to detect whether any asbestos fibres have become airborne during the remediation works. The site will remain out of bounds until remediation is completed.

All asbestos containing material will be removed in accordance with the advice of the independent hygienist. The independent hygienist will conduct monitoring and testing twice daily and access to the school will be strictly limited.

The remediation of the area will be undertaken in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan.

All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines. The work will take place between 7am and 5pm Monday to Friday, and 7am to 1pm on Saturdays. No work will be carried out on Sundays.

Once the area has been fully remediated, the independent hygienist will provide a clearance certificate confirming the site can be reopened for normal operations, expected in time for the start of Term 1 2023.

This will then allow works on a new landscaped playground to start, which is expected to be later in Term 1 2023.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

If you have any questions regarding the remediation works at Lucas Heights Community School, please contact School Infrastructure NSW on 1300 482 651 or email [schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au).

