

UPGRADES TO NORTHMEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL - Stakeholder Engagement Report

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Proponent

The Department of Education (DoE) is the proponent and determining authority pursuant to Section 5.1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act).

Landowner

The Minister for Education and Early Learning is the landowner.

Introduction

This Stakeholder Engagement Report has been prepared to accompany a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) prepared for the Department of Education (DoE) relating to upgrades to Northmead Public School (the activity) under Part 5 of the Act and State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 (SEPP TI).

This document has been prepared in accordance with the Guidelines for Division 5.1 assessments (the Guidelines) by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

This report examines and takes into account the relevant environmental factors in the Guidelines and Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2021 (EP&A Regulation) under Section 170, Section 171 and Section 171A of the EP&A Regulation.

Proposed Activity Description

The proposed activity for upgrades to Northmead Public School includes:

- One (1) new single storey classroom building comprising of four (4) general learning spaces (GLS), two (2) special program spaces, a singular learning commons space and a singular multi-purpose space;
- Minor internal alterations to an existing Admin Building (known as Building A); and
- Removal of existing portable classroom buildings containing six (6) classrooms.

Activity Site

The project site is located at 52A Moxhams Road, Northmead and is legally described as:

- Lot 1 DP 366405;
- Lot 1 DP 176742;
- Lot 1 DP 20061; and
- Lot 1 DP 209810.

Northmead Public School is located on the southern side of Moxhams Road and on the western side of Kleins Road.

Figure 1 is an aerial photograph of the site.



Figure 1: Aerial Photograph

The following is a summary of all stakeholders, including agencies who have been consulted and informed as part of the Northmead Public School Upgrade.

Agency	Date of consultation	Summary of matters raised	Response
CoP Council			
CoP Council Planning Dept	16.12.2024	Informal discussion with Council to apprise them of the forthcoming Upgrade works to Northmead PS	Council generally in agreeance of the proposed works, however informed the project team of the potential of flooding on site. A Flood Risk Management Plan is being prepared to accompany the REF.
TFNSW / PLR / CoP Council			
Transport Working Group (TWG) Meeting #1	13.03.2024	<p>The Rapid Transport Assessment of the proposed upgrade of Northmead PS was presented to TfNSW, Parramatta Light Rail (PLR) and City of Parramatta (CoP) at the TWG meeting.</p> <p>- SINSW asked when Council will adopt the Parramatta Draft Bike Plan and whether works will be funded as a priority.</p> <p>-SINSW requested that PLR confirm the safety information about the new light rail to be provided as some students will be crossing the light rail on their way to school.</p> <p>-SINSW asked if there any planned upgrades to the bus network in the area.</p>	<p>_CoP responded that endorsement is likely this year. At this stage it is undetermined if any of the works within the vicinity of the site will be funded as a priority. The Parramatta Draft. Bike Plan refers to the implementation of these works within the North Rocks area within the next 10-20 years.</p> <p>_CoP responded that updated bus routes have taken affect from the 10th of March 2024</p>

Transport Working Group (TWG) Meeting #2	7.11.24	SINSW discussed with CoP Traffic and Transport team the possibility of Council undertaking the design and construction of a pedestrian crossing at the corner of Moss St and Kleins Rd. SINSW proposed to financially contribute toward this work	CoP responded that it would be able to carry out this work, subject to it being funded by SINSW. Also that the work could not be completed prior to the school upgrade works. Mitigation measure to avoid a clash at the Moss St entry is for CoP to schedule in the works post-completion of Northmead PS Upgrade works.
School Community			
Project Reference Group (PRG) Meeting #1	18.07.2023	Project status update to the Reference Group. Due Diligence update presented. Options 1 and 2 presented	Acknowledged by all attendees
Project Reference Group Meeting #2	25.09.2024	Handover of project from Infrastructure Planning to Infrastructure Delivery team. Summary of Options 1 & 2 were presented with the proposal of Option 1 to be pursued by SINSW.	Endorsed by all parties in attendance
Project Reference Group Meeting #3	22.10.2024	Presentation of Option 1 Concept Design, includes refurbishment scope to Building A.	Endorsed by all attendees.
Project Reference Group update	28.11.2024	Presentation of progress on the Schematic Design	Endorsed by all attendees.
Project Reference Group Meeting #4	12.12.2024	Presentation of 95% Schematic Design.	Acknowledged and endorsed by all attendees
Comms Project Notifications			
Project Update #1	October 2023	Announcement of the Northmead Public School upgrade	Acknowledged by school
Works Notification #1	October 2024	Noise loggers to be distributed around site	Acknowledged and accepted by school
Works Notification #2	November 2024	Geotechnical investigations to take place	Acknowledged and accepted by school
Energy Authorities			
Endeavour Energy	26.07.2024	Preliminary Enquiry Submitted in Connections Portal – NDY requested information regarding capacity of existing substation supply.	Summary of Information Received: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Substation 28210 has a 315kVA transformer- One consumer mains to Northmead PS MSB Historical MD was 163.22kVA
Endeavour Energy	15.11.2024	Load Application Lodged in Connections Portal – NDY requested a total new load of 243A from neighbouring lot's substation.	Permission to Connect offer was received effective 25/11/2024 valid for 12 months. Total approved load of 344A three phase.