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# 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

NDY has been engaged by Department of Education (DoE) to develop a Sustainable Development Plan (SDP) for the proposed Northmead Public School development.

The principal objective of this report is to address the minimum requirements set out in the following:

- Clause 193 of Division 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021
- SINSW *Sustainable Development Practice Note*
- SINSW Education Facilities Standard and Guideline (EFSG)
- Government Architect NSW (GANSW) Design Guide for Schools and Environmental Design in Schools Manual
- NSW Government Resource Efficiency Policy (GREP 2019)

The project will be designed and delivered in line with the standard SINSW sustainability brief, detailed in the SINSW Sustainable Development Practice Note, with key scope including:

- SINSW EFSG compliance
- NCC Section J compliance

Through early design input from sustainability professionals, key initiatives incorporated in the proposed development include:

- Passive design elements, such as high-performance façade, effective shading and natural ventilation to reduce the energy demand of the buildings and improve indoor environment quality for students and staff.
- Energy efficient building systems and on-site renewable energy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Consideration of the building design's resilience and adaptation to climate change impacts.
- High indoor air quality, acoustic design principles, visual amenity and thermal comfort to support the site functions as training and teaching spaces and private staff areas.
- Best practice waste management principles in operation, and construction and demolition waste diversion from landfill.
- Water efficient fixtures and fittings (high WELS ratings)
- Incorporation of stormwater management systems and water sensitive urban design (WSUD) to minimise pollutants.

The ESD initiatives of the proposed development will be verified through the ESD schedule to be coordinated with the design team, and verified by SINSW and the D&C Contractors.

## 2 PROJECT SUMMARY

### 2.1 PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

The principal objective of this report is to detail the sustainability strategy of the proposed development, in order to address the minimum requirements set out in the following:

- Clause 193 of Division 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021
- SINSW *Sustainable Development Practice Note*
- SINSW Education Facilities Standard and Guidelines (EFSG)
- Government Architect NSW (GANSW) Design Guide for Schools and Environmental Design in Schools Manual
- NSW Government Resource Efficiency Policy (GREP) 2019

### 2.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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.

The school is located within climate zone 6 – mild temperate conditions, which is associated with:

- High diurnal ranges inland and four distinct seasons
- Summer and Winter that can exceed human comfort range, while spring and autumn are ideal for human comfort
- Mild to cool winters with low humidity
- Hot to very hot summers, with moderate humidity

Refer to Figure 1 for an overview of the site location.



FIGURE 1 - AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH

## 2.2 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.

Refer to Figure 2 - Schematic Site Plan for an overview of the proposed development.

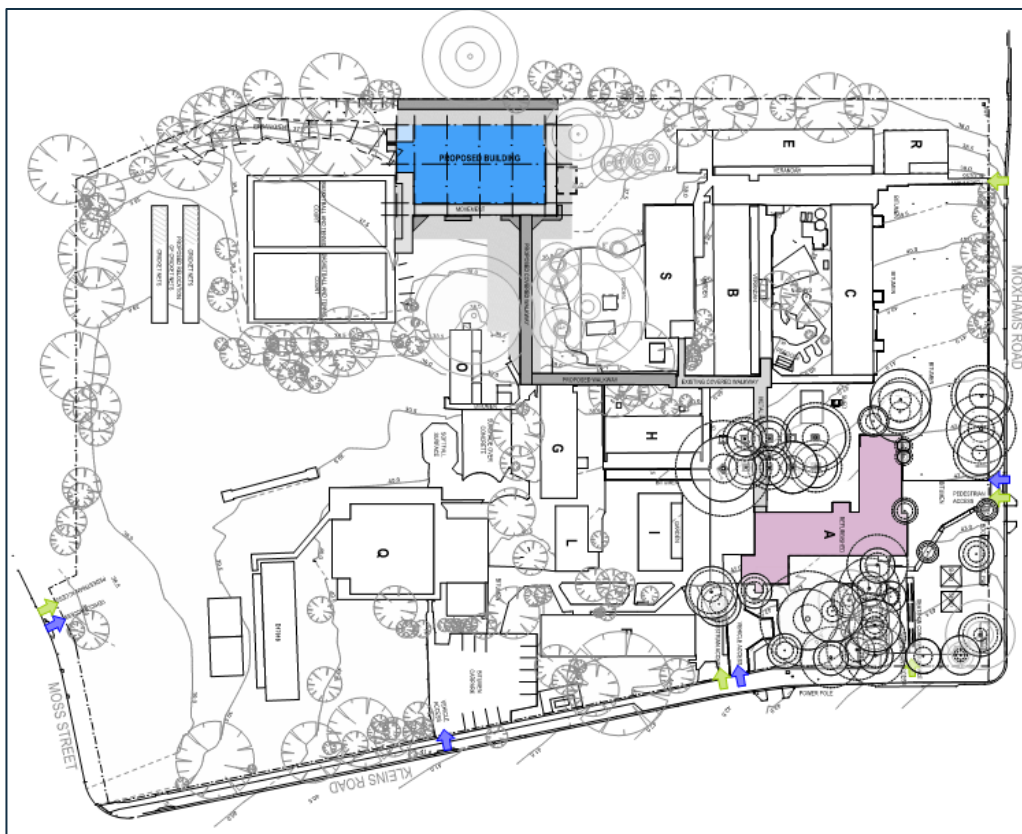


FIGURE 2 - SCHEMATIC SITE PLAN

## 2.3 INFORMATION SOURCES

The following information sources have been used in the preparation of this report:

- Clause 193 of Division 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021
- NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure documents:
  - Sustainable Development Practice Note
  - Education Facilities Standard and Guidelines (EFSG) – Design Guide
  - GANSW Design Guide for Schools
  - GANSW Environmental Design in Schools Manual
  - DFMA Guidelines
- NSW Government Resource Efficiency Policy (GREP) 2019
- National Construction Code (NCC) 2022 Section J
- Architectural drawings prepared by Fulton Trotter Architects
- Discussions and feedback with the design team.

## 3 SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES

The following section of the report details how the proposed development responds to the relevant sustainability principles as defined in Clause 193 of Division 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021.

### 3.1 THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE

The design has been reviewed against holistic sustainability principles to ensure a robust sustainability outcome is delivered. The sustainability initiatives proposed for the new Northmead Primary School development aims to reduce the environmental impacts typically associated with buildings during the construction and ongoing operation of the building.

Sustainability measures have been incorporated, spanning across the project's design, construction and operations, based around the core principles of:

- Efficient use of resources (energy, water and materials)
- Enhancing indoor environment quality and occupant comfort
- Minimising ecological impacts.

The head contractor will implement an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) ensuring there will also be a systematic approach to environmental considerations throughout construction.

A climate change risk assessment was completed in early November 2024 to assess the impacts of climate change on the project, and to implement design strategies to mitigate these impacts. Refer to Section 6 for details.

### 3.2 INTER-GENERATIONAL EQUITY

Student and staff health has been considered through the incorporation of indoor environmental quality design features such as daylight and glare analysis for natural lighting, best-practice lighting design, indoor air quality, thermal comfort assessment, acoustic design, and responsible material selection to reduce internal pollutants and resource depletion for future generations.

In relation to cultural diversity, the project will aim to incorporate the NSW Department of Education organisational Reconciliation Action Plan and use it as an opportunity to further embrace the objectives, including:

- Procurement of all materials and labour will be in accordance with the NSW DoE Aboriginal Procurement Policy and NSW DoE Main Works 21 Preliminaries - Section 4.4 'Aboriginal Participation'
- A project-specific Aboriginal Participation Plan will be developed to monitor and report on the minimum Aboriginal participation requirements.

Universal design principles will be implemented to provide safe, equitable and dignified access for persons with disabilities. Conservation of Biodiversity and Ecological integrity

The proposed design considers design strategies to minimise the urban heat island effect, such as the use of light-coloured external finishes. High quality access to external views will be considered to increase student engagement with the natural environment.

Construction and operational environmental management systems and plans will be detailed and implemented by the head contractor.

### 3.3 IMPROVED VALUATION, PRICING, AND INCENTIVE MECHANISMS

Total cost of operation will be reduced through sustainable considerations to reduce energy, water and waste requirements, taking into consideration whole-of-life costing. The project will ensure sustainable principles are extended to include value for money, fit for purpose, long term reliability/resilience and flexibility. Designing with the long-term operation of the building in mind will create further buy-in and cooperation from the operating stakeholders. Strategies to reduce operational waste have been considered such as the development of an operational waste management plan and separation of waste streams.

## 4 SUSTAINABILITY FRAMEWORKS & LEGISLATION

Relevant sustainability frameworks and legislation applicable to the proposed development are detailed in the following sub-sections.

### 4.1 NCC SECTION J

The National Construction Code (NCC) is produced and maintained by the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) on behalf of the Australian Government with the aim of achieving nationally consistent, minimum necessary standards of relevant health and safety, amenity and sustainability objectives efficiently. Section J of the NCC Volume 1 sets out the minimum energy efficiency requirements for all commercial buildings in Australia.

The development will achieve compliance with NCC 2022 (as required) Section J either through Deemed-to-Satisfy (DTS) Provisions, or a Performance Solution J1V2, J1V3 or similar.

### 4.2 EDUCATIONAL FACILITY STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES (EFSG)

The Educational Facilities Standards and Guidelines (EFSG) are intended to assist those responsible for the management, planning, design, construction and maintenance of new and refurbished school facilities. The EFSG is a suite of information compiled into Design Guides to aid in the planning, design and use of NSW Department of Education school facilities.

The guides aim to provide functional and durable facilities within a systematic whole of life, value for money framework that takes into account enhancement of learning and teaching, planning and development, sustainability and facilities management.

### 4.3 NSW GOVERNMENT RESOURCE EFFICIENCY POLICY (GREP)

The aim of the NSW Government Resource Efficiency Policy (GREP) is to reduce the NSW Government's operating costs and lead by example in increasing the efficiency of its resource use.

The policy intends to drive resource efficiency by NSW Government agencies in four main areas – energy, water, waste and air emissions from government operations. The policy describes measures to achieve set targets and minimum standards.

### 4.4 GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT NSW ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN GUIDE FOR SCHOOLS

The Government Architect NSW (GANSW) released an Environmental Design in Schools Manual which illustrates a set of design principles as guidelines to follow for new development and expansion of schools. The design principles from the GANSW Design Guide for Schools include:

- Context, Built Form and Landscape
- Sustainable, Efficient and Durable
- Accessible and Inclusive
- Health & Safety
- Amenity
- Whole of Life, Flexible and Adaptive
- Aesthetics

### 4.5 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT REGULATION 2021

Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 is a planning tool that captures NSW legislation relating to planning.

### 4.6 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE NOTE

The SINSW Sustainable Development Practice Note outlines the framework for the integration of sustainable development principles in the planning, design, tender and construction phases for all School Infrastructure

projects. This framework is closely aligned to NSW Government policy positions and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

## 5 SUSTAINABLE DESIGN

The proposed development aims to go beyond minimum building requirements and provide a progressive sustainability outcome for the community. The sustainability principles adopted for the project will contribute to the conservation of resources and future resilience, across the whole life cycle of the project; from construction, through to the operational phase.

The sustainability initiatives will be verified through the SINSW ESD Schedule v9. This verification applies to the new building only.

This section of the report outlines the initiatives incorporated into the proposed development in line with the EFSG requirements. Under each sub-category, the initiatives already incorporated into the design, and additional opportunities identified for further investigation have been outlined. These will be refined through further investigation in design development.

Refer to Appendix 9.19.1 for the ESD Schedule outlining specific initiatives incorporated for the project.

The ESD initiatives and associated relevant design details will be incorporated into project contract documentation, noting that relevant details are still under development and will be further developed during later design stages. The head contractor will ultimately be responsible for ensuring compliance with all targeted EFSG ESD items.

### 5.1 RESPONSIBLE

#### 5.1.1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Responsible project development principles outline design and construction practices which support the development and integration of building performances and responsible construction practices. These practices and processes include;

- Guidance from sustainability professionals
- Responsible construction practices
- Commitments to performance (e.g. reducing building and operational waste).
- Pre-commissioning, commissioning and tuning
- Building information to facilitate operator and user understanding
- Metering and monitoring

#### 5.1.2 PROPOSED INITIATIVES

The following initiatives are currently included in the preliminary sustainability strategy, in order to ensure that the project minimises its environmental impact through construction and operational management:

- SINSW Commissioning and Temporary Schools Program reviews process to assist in advising, monitoring, and verifying the commissioning and tuning of the nominated building systems throughout the design, tender, construction, commissioning and tuning phases.
- Provision of building information to facilitate operator and user understanding of all building systems, and their specific operation and maintenance requirements and/or environmental targets
- Specialist waste consultant to be engaged to development of an operational waste management plan (OWMP). OWMP principles to be incorporated into the design in future project stages, including separation of waste streams (e.g. paper, cardboard, glass, plastics, toner cartridges, batteries, organics etc.) to facilitate reuse, recycling, composting, and overall waste reduction.
- Waste management plans for demolition, construction and operation of the site. Minimum of 90% of construction and demolition waste to be diverted from landfill.

#### 5.1.3 OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the initiatives outlined above, the following initiatives are currently being explored:

- Development and implementation of a Responsible Procurement Plan
- Development of a project specific Environmental Management Plan (EMP)

## 5.2 HEALTHY

### 5.2.1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Healthy, comfortable learning environments are vital for students and staff, particularly when they may require spaces that facilitate focus and engagement for a considerable amount of time. General principles include:

- High indoor air quality
- Acoustic comfort with noise levels suitable to the activities within each space
- Good lighting design and control that is suitable to the space and free from glare
- High levels of daylight amenity and views for visual interest
- Reduce harmful exposure to toxins from building materials and finishes
- Thermal comfort

### 5.2.2 PROPOSED INITIATIVES

The following initiatives are currently included in the preliminary sustainability strategy:

- Passive design principles have been incorporated in the design, including high-performance building envelope, effective shading and building orientation, and natural ventilation openings to support comfortable and low-energy indoor environment quality.
- Acoustic consultant engaged to advise design to support the building's function as training, teaching and multi-purpose spaces for students, staff and community use.
- Best-practice lighting will be provided to improve lighting comfort via flicker-free, high-quality lighting that accurately addresses the perception of colour within the space.
- High levels of daylight and external views are provided to regularly occupied learning and administration areas, to support high levels of visual comfort for building occupants. Detailed daylight modelling to be undertaken in future project stages. Refer to Preliminary Daylight Modelling Assessment undertaken for the project.
- Internal air pollutants have been reduced via selection of materials with low or no volatile organic compound (VOC) levels and low formaldehyde concentrations, verified via on-site testing.
- Effective heating and cooling to improve thermal comfort, in accordance with EFSG guidelines.

### 5.2.3 OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the initiatives outlined above, the following initiatives are currently being explored:

- Specialist lighting design to address the quality of light in the space, and provide highlight and contrast
- Incorporation of indoor plants and/or nature-inspired biophilic design elements.
- The development provides planted area (minimum 5% of site area) in which occupants can directly engage with (such as community garden, edible garden or similar), and necessary infrastructure is provided.

## 5.3 POSITIVE

### 5.3.1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Through a range of performance measures buildings can; improve their energy efficiency which will reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions from grid-based energy; reduce their potable water demand making them more drought tolerant; and, reduce their embodied carbon through sustainable materials selection. General principles include:

- Selection of materials with low embodied carbon
- Energy efficient buildings
- No fossil fuel use
- Offsetting of residual carbon emissions
- Reducing potable water consumption, such as through the use of high efficiency water fixtures, water harvesting systems and reuse, and water-efficient landscape and irrigation design.
- Installation of a solar PV system capable of generating the new energy consumed by the proposed building.

## 5.3.2 PROPOSED INITIATIVES

The following initiatives are currently included in the preliminary sustainability strategy, in order to enhance the energy efficiency of the building. Refer to Energy Modelling Assessment for details.

- Highly energy efficient building, exceeding the minimum requirements of the NCC Section J. Energy to be undertaken to demonstrate a reduction in energy consumption in comparison to a NCC DtS compliant reference building, in line with the following targets:
  - Minimum 10% reduction, excluding any contribution from renewable energy (e.g. rooftop solar PV) in line with EFGS Section DG02.03. Note preliminary energy modelling demonstrates the design is capable of achieving a 28.9% reduction in energy consumption excluding solar PV and 81% reduction when considering solar PV. Refer to [NPS-NDY-B00T-ZZ-RP-V-0002-Energy Assessment](#) for details.

Final improvement will be demonstrated via energy modelling in schematic design. Specific energy efficiency provisions will include:

- Exceeding the minimum building envelope R-values of NCC Section J
- Improving on the glazing performance requirements of NCC Section J
- Effective shading devices which reduce solar heat gains to conditioned spaces
- Energy-efficient lighting (typically LED) will be provided throughout, exceeding lighting power densities of the NCC Section J
- High efficiency heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems with mixed-mode 'traffic light' controls system to reduce operational energy.
- All-electric building services
- New roof mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) system. It is noted that the Northmead Primary School works includes provision for a 21kW solar PV array.
- High-efficiency water fixtures.
- Reduction in embodied carbon of materials, achieved through sustainable concrete and steel selection.
- Adoption of minimum targets energy efficiency of appliances (air conditioners, TVs, fridges, computers) to make energy efficiency one of the selection requirements. Major appliances to be at least 0.5 stars above the average rating at the time of purchase.

## 5.3.3 OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the initiatives outlined above, the following initiatives are currently being explored:

- Procurement of carbon offsets to offset residual emissions.
- Procurement of renewable energy, such as GreenPower. We understand that the NSW Government is responsible for procuring electricity across its entire portfolio. The renewable energy contribution target is due to be updated in the near future.
- Lighting controlled by motion and/or daylight sensors to reduce the operation of artificial lighting when it is not required.

## 5.4 PLACES

### 5.4.1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Under this category people are placed at the forefront of the design to ensure the building supports health movement, provides enjoyable places and contributes the local community and cultural heritage of the site. General principles include:

- Active transport (walking and cycling) is encouraged, and private vehicle use is reduced
- Communal spaces which support occupant and community engagement are developed
- The local community's cultural heritage embedded in the design

### 5.4.2 OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the initiatives outlined above, the following initiatives are currently being explored:

- To encourage active and public transport, bicycle parking for staff and students to be provided to the development.

- Local heritage of the site reflected through design responses, through meaningful engagement with the local community

## 5.5 PEOPLE

### 5.5.1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

This category recognizes the contributions made by the local workforce which develops the building and aims to ensure sustainable practices support workers during the construction process, for areas including mental health and social inclusion. Additionally, the building design is reviewed for universal design principles for improved accessibility. General principles include:

- The builder supports mental health initiatives and promotes diversity
- The building has Indigenous design aspects, or a Reconciliation Action Plan is developed
- Disadvantaged groups are supported for workforce inclusion
- Universal design principles for people with disabilities are embedded in the design.

### 5.5.2 PROPOSED INITIATIVES

The following initiatives are currently included in the preliminary sustainability strategy:

- The builder has policies and programs to support construction workers and provides staff support.
- The Head Contractor has procurement practices in place to support disadvantaged groups gain employment opportunities, including:
  - Procurement of all materials and labour will be in accordance with the NSW DoE Aboriginal Procurement Policy and NSW DoE Main Works 21 Preliminaries - Section 4.4 'Aboriginal Participation'
  - A project-specific Aboriginal Participation Plan will be developed to monitor and report on the minimum Aboriginal participation requirements.
  - At least 1.5% of the building's total contract value has been directed to generate employment opportunities for disadvantaged and under-represented groups.
- Inclusive design principles are followed to ensure building users with diverse needs have ease of access and way finding throughout the building.

### 5.5.3 OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the initiatives outlined above, the following initiatives are currently being explored:

- Incorporation of Indigenous design elements into the design, addressing each of the principles from the Australian Indigenous Design Charter (AIDC), including engagement with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities.
- Diverse wayfinding including visual, physical, olfactory, and auditory solutions.

## 5.6 NATURE

### 5.6.1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Impacts to nature are minimised and the biodiversity of the site is fostered through selection of native plant species, this also supports the wellbeing of building and local groups who can maintain a connection with nature through urban green spaces. Waterways are protected through a volume controlled stormwater management strategy. General principles include:

- Protect and enhance ecological and biodiversity value
- Minimise negative impacts, such as lighting pollution and stormwater pollution.

### 5.6.2 PROPOSED INITIATIVES

The following initiatives are currently included in the preliminary sustainability strategy:

- Specified stormwater pollution reduction targets are met.
- Appropriate lighting design to reduce light pollution of external lights, including compliance with AS4282, AS/NZS 1158

- All heat-rejection systems to be waterless to eliminate risk of Legionella (no cooling towers)

### 5.6.3 OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the initiatives outlined above, the following initiatives are currently being explored:

- Increased proportion of the site dedicated to external landscaping. Inclusion of critically endangered and/or endangered plant species native to the bioregion.
- Average annual stormwater discharge (ML/yr.) is reduced by 40% across the site.
- Encouragement of species connectivity through the site, and to adjacent sites
- Restoration or protection of biodiversity area beyond the project boundary.

## 6 CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE

The projected impacts of climate change on the proposed development has been assessed, based on predicted climate change models. A Climate Adaptation Workshop was held with all project stakeholders on 08 Nov 2024. The workshop goals were to:

- Identify and describe risks posed by climate change to the development and rate the consequences and likelihood of each
- Identify and evaluate the potential adaptation actions and/or design strategies to mitigate those risks which are deemed unacceptable.

To facilitate this process, pre-workshop notes were be provided to all stakeholders attending the workshop which consisted of the following parts:

- Climate change projections
- Consequence scale for the risk assessment
- Likelihood scale for the risk assessment

A climate change risk assessment undertaken as per AS 5334-2013 and EFSG requirements. Expected impacts from climate change will be identified with reference made to both CSIRO projects for the East Coast (South) sub-cluster and NSW Government's NSW and ACT Regional Climate Modelling (NARCLIM) projections. The results showed the following:

- Extreme temperatures are projected to increase with very high confidence, and substantial increases in temperatures reached on hot days, as well as the frequency of hot days.
- Average temperatures will continue to increase in all seasons (very high confidence)
- Generally, less rainfall is expected in winter (medium confidence), but the intensity of extreme rainfall events is expected to increase (high confidence)
- Time spent in drought is expected to increase (low confidence) over the course of the century.

The design's responsivity to the above impacts will be assessed in accordance with EFSG requirements, at least two of the risks identified will be addressed by specific design responses, suggested risks to be addressed are detailed within the Climate Adaptation Report. Refer to [NPS-NDY-B00T-ZZ-RP-V-0006-Climate Adaptation Plan](#) for details.

## **7 NET ZERO AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY**

The proposed development aims to minimise greenhouse gas emissions, to reflect the NSW government's goal of net zero emission by 2050, and consumption of energy, water and material resources. The key initiatives which have been selected to contribute to these goals are summarised below.

### **7.1 ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND NET ZERO 2050**

The building incorporates the following initiatives into its design:

- Greater than 10% reduction in energy efficiency over minimum NCC compliance
- Passive design including consideration of orientation, thermal mass, shading, and fabric and glazing insulation performance, and colour
- Energy efficient lighting design and control
- Energy efficient heating, ventilation, and air conditioning design and control
- Energy efficient appliances and equipment
- Energy monitoring and whole of building demand management and control
- Renewable energy sources, including solar photovoltaic panels
- 100% electric design to minimise gas use and greenhouse gas emissions
- Commissioning and tuning strategies

### **7.2 WATER CONSUMPTION**

The building incorporates the following initiatives into its design:

- Water efficient fixtures, equipment, and appliances
- Water use monitoring
- Water sensitive urban design
- Stormwater management, and groundwater and drinking water catchment protection
- Commissioning and tuning strategies

### **7.3 OTHER MATERIALS CONSUMPTION**

The building incorporates the following initiatives into its design:

- Reduction in upfront carbon through sustainable material selection, including low embodied carbon materials and high recycled content materials. Including major construction materials – concrete, steel, timber and aluminium.

## 8 CONCLUSION

This report identifies the sustainability measures being pursued or investigated by the project team, demonstrating how the relevant sustainability requirements have been addressed. These include;

- Energy efficiency initiatives which are shown to reduce energy consumption by 28% (when compared to a compliant NCC 2022 Section J reference), and over 80% when considering solar PV contributions.
- Occupant health promoting initiatives to limit VOCs from all paints, adhesives and sealants, and carpets. And to provide increased outside air to children via the mixed mode ventilation strategy
- Procurement initiatives directing at least 1.5% of the building's total contract value to generate employment opportunities for disadvantaged and under-represented groups
- Use of highest practical efficiency WELS rated fittings and fixtures to reduce potable water consumption
- Stormwater protection initiatives above code requirements including pollutant filtration

The proposed design for the development incorporates sustainability measures that have far reaching benefits from the perspective of energy, water and waste reduction; as well as providing good indoor environment quality, thermal comfort and visual comfort. By this means, the proposed development will have a positive impact on the health and wellbeing of the students and staff occupying the building.

## **9 APPENDICES**

### **9.1 SINSW ESD SCHEDULE**

PROJECT: REVISION AUTHOR			Northmead Public School (aged 5-12)		SINSW SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW															INDEPENDENT SUSTAINABILITY VERIFICATION				Potential Impact of Report on Green Star Points: Y, N, N/A	Document y Evidence provided?	Evidence Index (optional)
Sustainability Strategy Priority	Substantiation / Initiatives / Requirements  Where applicable, this is an extract only from the relevant DTSC. For full requirements refer to <a href="https://efsg.dia.nsw.edu.au/">https://efsg.dia.nsw.edu.au/</a>	Project stage	Baseline for Initiative	Consistent with Green Star	Recommended evidence to demonstrate compliance	Has this been implemented in the project? Y or N or N/A	Contractor's ESD consultant comments	Actual evidence This evidence needs to show that the requirement from column 5 has been met	Responsibility (identify party responsible to provide evidence)	Planning check Is the evidence proposed accepted? Y or N	Design Check Is the project compliant? Y or N	As Built Check Is the project compliant? Y or N	SINSW Sustainability comment	Independent ESD Review Comments (insert date)	D&C Contractor's Response (insert date)	Independent ESD Review Comments (insert date)	D&C Contractor's Response (insert date)	Independent ESD Review Comments (insert date)	Independent ESD Review Comments	Potential Impact of Report on Green Star Points: Y, N, N/A	Document y Evidence provided?	Evidence Index (optional)				
Act on climate change	<b>Improvement over NCC</b> All new facilities must be designed and built so that energy consumption is predicted to be at least 10% lower than if built to minimum compliance with National Construction Code requirements.  Each building's system and layout must comply with the corresponding Section 1 requirements in the National Construction Code. That is, the building control shall that their systems, perform worse than the reference building.  The energy consumption reduction must be achieved without including renewable energy generation in the calculation.	PH 2-5: Architectural Design	0002.03	D&B-125 G GHG Emissions Reduction Confidential Requirement	1. Energy modelling report / Predictive energy modelling and thermal comfort assessment. Report needs to show at least 10% improvement of building over minimum NCC requirements, and 2. As-built evidence that model is an accurate representation of the building, e.g. drawings, and 3. Specifications / calculations supporting modelling inputs, e.g. window energy rating scheme certificate, calculated U-values of walls, roofs, etc. 4. As an alternative to 2 and 3 above, a Statement by energy modeller confirming that the model accurately represents the building.		Energy modelling has confirmed that the whole significantly exceeds the requirement to reduce energy consumption by 10% in a reference building.	Refer to Energy Modelling Assessment	Sustainability										TBC		1					
	<b>Passive design</b> The need for active cooling and heating shall be minimised by employing passive / sustainable design principles listed in DS 15, DS 16.02 and DS 17.12 as well as the GSA NSW Environmental Design in Schools Guidelines.  This includes: - Window size and shading to prioritise passive cooling in summer and heating in winter - Orientation - Thermal mass - Building fabric colour and performance - Cladding	PH 2-5: Architectural Design	0005 0006.02 0007.12	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction GSA NSW Environmental Design in Schools	1. Thermal modelling report 2. As-built evidence demonstrating measures implemented to reduce need for active cooling / heating 3. Passive design report by Architect listing all passive design initiatives implemented		Large reductions in energy consumption, as a result of passive design principles, have been incorporated in the design.	Refer to Energy Modelling Assessment	Sustainability											TBC		2				
Act on climate change	<b>Energy efficient lighting design and modelling</b> - LED lighting must be installed - The design of the lighting systems and the selection of fittings is to be undertaken based on a Whole of Life approach, such as studies and control gear with a long life - Section 1 part 6 maximum illuminance power density provisions must be adhered to, along with all other elements of part 6 - Systems must support sustainable design principles including reducing energy consumption, such as smart or sensor feedback functionality - Lighting designs should be carried out utilising industry standard lighting design software such as AGi32, Dialux or Relux.	PH 2-5: Services Design	0002.3.1 0003.05 0003.06 0003.02	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction	1. Lighting drawings 2. Lighting specifications / schedules 3. Lighting modelling report showing compliant power densities		Assumed to be included in performance documentation for standard builds.		Electrical											TBC		3				
	<b>Lighting control and switching</b> - The use of lighting controls will assist in substantially improving energy efficiency on sites, and should be considered for all new lighting systems, in new build or site refurbishments. - Lighting control should be simple to operate and adhere to all requirements of DS 63.06 - Consider Light Output and Daylight Harvesting systems are recommended given their ability to reduce lighting energy whilst maintaining functionality in spaces. Consideration should be given to these strategies as stipulated in DS 63.06 - Including daylight sensors in rooms to reduce light output or turn off light when sufficient daylight is provided within the space - When the space is large and perimeter lighting is adjacent to windows, perimeter lighting is to be separate zone to make maximum use of daylight - Local switching should be provided where it is identified that the users can benefit from manual operation of the lighting and other lighting automation technology is considered cost prohibitive. The switching should be clearly marked and robust. Provisions for energy efficient switching in Schools are outlined within DS03 and DS05.	PH 2-5: Services Design	0003.06 0003.07 0005.05-05	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction D&B-6 Building Information	1. Electrical & lighting drawings showing switching groups and automatic controls 2. Lighting modelling report showing compliant power densities 3. Lighting operations and maintenance manual		Assumed to be included in performance documentation for standard builds.		Electrical											TBC		4				
Act on climate change	<b>Energy efficient appliances &amp; equipment</b> Electrical equipment must be at least 0.5 stars above the market average star rating or comply with high efficiency standards specified in the DTSC HVAC system must have fixed or sensor feedback functionality for energy consumption Systems shall be designed to minimise energy consumption. System design / equipment selection is to be based on whole of life approach. Energy efficiency measures are outlined in the DTSC	PH 2-5: Services Design	0002.3.3 0005	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction	1. Schedule of appliances and equipment with their star ratings or performance standards, signed by head contractor or architect. All appliances and equipment required in the DTSC must be listed, not air conditioning equipment, electric motors, transformers, etc. 2. As-built mechanical drawings / statement from head contractor 3. Whole of life cost analysis demonstrating systems were selected based on best value/selection		Energy efficiency measures are outlined in the DTSC		Mechanical											TBC		5				
	<b>Heat loss/gain</b> The design must take steps to control heat loss from the building during cooler winter months and heat gain during the warmer months. Refer to HVAC Design considerations in DS03.05	PH 2-5: Services Design	0003.05	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction	1. Thermal modelling report 2. As-built evidence demonstrating that model is an accurate representation of the building 3. Specifications / calculations supporting modelling inputs		The building utilizes shading design and improved thermal fabric performance to reduce heat gains and losses, and reduce overall energy consumption.	Refer to Energy Modelling Assessment	Sustainability												TBC		6			
Act on climate change	<b>Indoor environment control</b> - Both the thermal comfort and indoor air quality shall be controlled automatically within specified parameters. - Controls shall be simple and intuitive to use - A "traffic light" light system (described in DS 15.03 Thermal Comfort and Indoor Air Quality Policy) should be used to inform the usability of outdoor conditions to allow natural ventilation.	PH 2-5: Services Design	0005 0015.03	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction	1. As-built evidence demonstrating controls have been installed as required 2. Commissioning report / statement by head contractor confirming controls have been set as required		Traffic light system is included to inform usability of outdoor conditions to allow natural ventilation.		Mechanical											TBC		7				
	<b>Renewable energy</b> A grid connected solar PV system must be installed in line with DTSC requirements Where feasible, PV systems shall be installed to offset as much of the electricity consumed by the school as is practicable	PH 2-5: Services Design	0002.3.4 0005	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction D&B-126 Peak Electricity Demand Reduction	1. As installed drawings of PV system 2. Energy modelling report showing renewable energy generation		PV system to be installed and used to offset building consumption	Preliminary Calculations and proposed system are included in concept documentation (Concept Notes and Drawings)	Electrical												TBC		8			
Act on climate change	<b>Battery Energy Storage System</b> A battery energy storage system shall only be designed in consultation with SINSW Sustainability sustainability requirements and as per	PH 2-5: Services Design	0006.0.3	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction D&B-126 Peak Electricity Demand Reduction	As installed drawings of battery storage system		No battery system proposed		Electrical												TBC		9			
	<b>Heaters</b> Electric heating must be preferred over gas heating. Where gas heating is considered, it must be approved by SINSW Sustainability Heating equipment must be designed from a whole of life perspective and - Support sustainable design principles including reducing energy consumption and carbon emissions - Be accessible and serviceable - easy to maintain with minimal input on school site when maintenance is being performed	PH 2-5: Services Design	0006	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction	1. If reverse cycle air conditioning is installed, confirmation that gas heaters are not installed, OR 2. Evidence that the gas heaters installed are energy efficient		No gas heating is included in the mechanical design		Mechanical												TBC		10			
Act on climate change	<b>Water heating</b> - Hot water and tempered water generation for schools must be carefully considered to ensure that Whole of Life assessment considerations to minimise life cycle costs and carbon emissions - Economically feasible systems such as solar heating (if viable/feasible) and heat pumps are preferred energy sources to gas water heaters for heating The following detailed reports/ surveys/ information should be considered in developing the business case: - Slope, drainage and erosion issues including flood risks (if any) - Geotechnical and soil conditions - Airborne pollutants - Building risks - Approval of available services infrastructure Climate change risk assessment must be undertaken considering at least two different climate change scenarios An environmental risk report will be required for developments proposed within sensitive natural environments or sites subject to environmental or flood control orders. Such a report will be required for developments proposed within sensitive natural environments or sites subject to environmental or flood control orders.	PH 2-5: Services Design	0003.09	D&B-125 GHG Emissions Reduction	1. NCC List assessment for hot water systems 2. Hydraulic drawings/schematics showing installed DHW systems		Hydraulic														TBC		11			
	<b>Build resilience</b> The following detailed reports/ surveys/ information should be considered in developing the business case: - Slope, drainage and erosion issues including flood risks (if any) - Geotechnical and soil conditions - Airborne pollutants - Building risks - Approval of available services infrastructure Climate change risk assessment must be undertaken considering at least two different climate change scenarios An environmental risk report will be required for developments proposed within sensitive natural environments or sites subject to environmental or flood control orders. Such a report will be required for developments proposed within sensitive natural environments or sites subject to environmental or flood control orders.	PH 1-5: Site Selection and Masterplan	0003.02	D&B-13 Adaptation and Resilience	1. Detailed reports or surveys developed 2. Environmental risk report 3. Evidence demonstrating recommendations have been implemented and risks addressed through design responses.		Ongoing consultation with buildfire consultants. Climate Adaptation workshop completed	Contamination and Geotech report	Off-structure												TBC		12			
Build resilience	<b>Buildfire protection</b> Development applications on both fire prone land must be accompanied by a Bush Fire Assessment Report demonstrating compliance with the aim and objectives of Planning for Bush Fire Protection and the specific objectives and performance criteria for the land use proposed. Local Authorities and the Bush Fire Service can provide advice on the design of buildings in bush fire prone areas. The Building Code of Australia and AS3959 "Construction of buildings in bushfire prone areas" set out the requirements for buildings which are within close proximity to a defined bush fire zone. Secondary landscape management strategies - Keep the amount of fuel (leaves, twigs, logs, dead grass) in the vicinity of buildings to a minimum. - Crown trees are located at least 10m from buildings to avoid branches overhanging and leaves collecting on roofs. - Do not plant shrubs against buildings. The crown of trees planted on the hazard side of the development should not be coniferous. Plant fire resistant trees and shrubs on the hazard side of the development to reduce the potential impact of wind, fire intensity, radiant heat, and rate of spread as well as interrupting burning embers. Avoid combustible fencing materials. Floodable systems and water retention to water areas over the buildings subject to water authority approval	PH 1-5: Site Selection and Masterplan	0003.03	D&B-13 Adaptation and Resilience	1. Bush fire assessment report 2. Statement by Architect / fire consultant outlining building strategies implemented in line with BCA and AS3959 3. Bush fire management plan outlining management strategies implemented 4. Landscape plans detailing bush fire management measures implemented		Buildfire letter has been received		Off-structure												TBC		13			
	<b>Build resilience</b> The assessment must report on at least two different timeframes (2050 and 2070) and consider high emissions scenarios consistent with 2C and 4C for each timeframe. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) defined emissions scenarios should be used to dictate the assessed scenarios Where significant risks are identified in the initial assessment, a comprehensive climate change risk assessment must be undertaken	PH 1-5: Site Selection and Masterplan	0003.08	D&B-13 Adaptation and Resilience	1. Climate risk assessment, and 2. Climate adaptation plan 3. Emergency management plan		Climate change risk assessment and report have been completed by NCC and reports from all design disciplines. All risks and their ratings are identified within the report.	Refer to Climate Change Adaptation Report	Sustainability													TBC		14		
Build resilience	<b>Weather protection</b> Circulation areas provided between administrative, staff and all student spaces (except Agriculture), should be protected from sun and unfavourable winds.	PH 2-5: Architectural Design	0008.05	Not covered in Green Star	As built drawings showing circulation areas are protected as required		All circulation areas have a roof to protect against weather	Refer to Schematic Design drawing	Architect												TBC		15			

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