

Question on Notice
No. 355
Asked on 31 March 2022

MR B MICKELBERG ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND MINISTER FOR RACING (HON G GRACE)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister (a) advise the reasons why the new school hall at Buderim Mountain State School will not be completed by November 2022 as previously advised and (b) confirm what date the new hall will be ready for use by Buderim Mountain State School staff and students?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government will invest \$258 million over four years to deliver new multi-purpose halls and performing arts centres, including extensions to existing facilities, in more than 30 state schools under the Palaszczuk Government's *Great Schools, Great Future* election commitment.

During the initial planning stages for the new hall at Buderim Mountain State School, the Project Steering Committee discussed a range of project parameters, including a forecast completion date of November 2022. The Committee also discussed site specific issues that could affect the project timeframes, including heritage conservation requirements and whether the project would require a material change of use approval.

As the Member would be aware, Buderim Mountain State School is listed on the State Heritage Register, which requires the Department of Education (DoE) to undertake appropriate heritage consultation regarding the proposed location and design of the new building.

DoE has been working closely with the Department of Environment and Science (DES) to ensure the heritage significance of Buderim Mountain State School is considered appropriately. DoE continues to consult with DES in relation to the planning and delivery of the new school hall.

To allow for DoE to undertake this consultation and time for the build, practical completion is now forecast for October 2023.