

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO ENROLMENT CAPACITY IN INNER CITY
PUBLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS**

Name: NSW Department of Education

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INNER CITY SCHOOLS WORKING PARTY – STATUS OF PLANNING OPTIONS FOR ULTIMO PUBLIC SCHOOL

| OPTIONS | PROGRESS & STATUS | NEXT STEPS |
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| LONG TERM OPTIONS | | |
| Existing Ultimo PS Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension to Building A • High rise mixed use | <p>Draft masterplan options have been prepared.</p> <p>Option is not supported by Ultimo PS community, but is feasible in economic terms.</p> | <p>DEC to have draft masterplan costed before October meeting.</p> <p>No further action proposed.</p> |
| New Ultimo PS with Child Care Centre on Council land at Wattle St | <p>Architect is being engaged to prepare two draft masterplan options to be completed by end of September 2013.</p> <p>Option is only feasible if existing school site is sold with proceeds used to purchase Council land.</p> | <p>DEC architect to finalise draft masterplan options to present to October meeting of Working Party.</p> <p>DEC to have masterplan options costed for October meeting of Working Party.</p> <p>DEC and City of Sydney to develop in-principle commercial terms.</p> |
| Additional Ultimo PS campus in Pyrmont <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 Harris Street • Former Pyrmont PS and Terminus Hotel • 102 Miller Street • 21-43 Harris Street | <p>Preliminary examination of feasibility finds that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • educational objectives are best met by one school campus, and separate campuses for infants/primary are not preferred from education perspective; and • an additional campus in Pyrmont is not likely to be feasible or able to adequately justified in a business case and Treasury gateway process due to high costs of purchasing land/buildings in Pyrmont. <p>Property is listed as a heritage item in Sydney LEP 2012 as follows: “Former woolstore “Shute, Bell, Badgery and Lumby” including interiors”. Building suitability is questionable given age and heritage significance of building.</p> <p>Former Pyrmont PS is used as child care, has heritage listing in Sydney LEP and and is not likely to provide additional classrooms and meet school facility standards without substantial modification. Terminus hotel is heritage listed in Sydney LEP and not fit for purpose of meeting school facility standards without significant modification.</p> <p>Site is developed for apartment building.</p> <p>Site is being developed for high density development (tbc)</p> | <p>No further analysis proposed unless circumstances arise to make the option of an additional campus in Pyrmont a more feasible proposition.</p> <p>No further action proposed unless option becomes a more feasible proposition.</p> <p>No further action proposed.</p> <p>No further action proposed.</p> <p>No further action proposed.</p> |
| Glebe PS project to supplement spare capacity | <p>Option is not supported by Ultimo PS community.</p> | <p>No further action proposed at this stage.</p> |
| SHORT TERM OPTIONS | | |
| Use of Wentworth Park for demountable/s or car parking | <p>Preliminary advice from Council parks officer in early 2013 is not supportive.</p> | <p>DEC will follow up in meeting with CEO of City of Sydney scheduled for September 2013.</p> |
| Lease of commercial space in surrounding buildings. | <p>Agents leasing space in 45 Jones St. advise space is not available for educational use.</p> <p>DEC assessment is that there is no operational model for leasing of commercial office space for public school use, and operational feasibility would be questionable due to school asset requirements not being met in general by office buildings.</p> | <p>No further action proposed at this stage. DEC will consider any lease option that becomes available in the locality.</p> |
| Use of car park in Ultimo PS for demountable/s. | <p>Feasible if required for temporary accommodation whilst a New Ultimo PS is being developed on another site.</p> | <p>No further action at this stage. DEC will consider further if needed in the future.</p> |
| Use of playground in Ultimo PS for demountable/s. | <p>Least preferred option of Working Party is not being pursued unless needed as last resort.</p> | <p>No further action unless needed as last resort.</p> |