

# PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 3 - EDUCATION

DPE gave evidence to NSW Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No. 3- Education and its inquiry into planning and delivery of school infrastructure in NSW in relation to the provision of data that informs number of students each year.

Two questions were received on notice during the hearing. Responses are provided below.

## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

- Who is on the Common Planning Assumptions Group? Who is the person serving on that group?

## ANSWER

The Common Planning Assumptions Group (CPAG) is made up of senior representatives from the following NSW clusters:

- Communities and Justice
- Customer Service
- Education
- Health
- Planning and Environment
- Premier and Cabinet
- Regional NSW
- Transport
- Treasury

CPAG is chaired by the NSW Chief Economist, Stephen Walters.

Attendees are the responsibility of each agency. NSW Treasury are the CPAG secretariat.

- What role does the Department have in acquiring the land for schools in new greenfield development sites? Are there any parameters or requirements around that land?

## ANSWER

Within The Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) precinct planners works with School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) to identify the land needed for schools, and data to support decision making is provided by the Economics, Population and Land Use Forecasting team. In cases where the Office of Strategic Lands own land that could be

suitable for schools, DPE works with SINSW to make those sites available. Overall, SINSW are responsibility for acquiring sites needed for schools.