

**INQUIRY INTO PLANNING AND DELIVERY OF SCHOOL  
INFRASTRUCTURE IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Dear Members of the Inquiry,

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the inquiry planning and delivery of school infrastructure in New South Wales.

I am a parent living in Melonba, and my children are currently attending Marsden Park Public School.

We are concerned because we moved to Marsden Park in 2016, after being told there would be a primary school in the estate by the time my children started school. As you would be aware Northbourne only opened a short time ago. My children are now in year 3 and 5 and I would not move them now due to the disruption it would cause them in their learning.

We recently decided to build another home, and made the choice to stay in Elara because of our lovely community and because we were told the high school will be ready.

I am upset to think that we will have a repeat of the school not being ready in time for my children. We bought a block of land walking distance from the space that has been dedicated to the future high school. I wanted to provide that for my children, the ability to walk to school, rather than spend their mornings and afternoons on public transport.

I feel frustrated that there is a space ready to go and nothing has been done about it. I am frustrated that all we are left with is private schools to choose from, that cost so much money, when we could have had our public high school as proposed.

It is so important to our community to get our highschool asap. All the students from the primary schools are left with no choice but to travel to one of the many private schools around us.

This needs to be a priority for our children.