

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Senator McKenzie asked in writing

Question

Primary Schools for the 21st Century

Please list the Primary Schools for the 21st Century projects that remain unfinished in Victoria. When are they expected to be completed? Are there any yet to commence? What are the reasons behind the delay?

Answer

As at 6 March 2012, there were 84 unfinished *Primary Schools for the 21st Century* (P21) projects in Victoria.

Of the 84 P21 projects, 13 were yet to commence construction.

All of the 84 unfinished P21 projects in Victoria have been identified by the relevant education authority as a rephased project.

Consistent with the Government's decision in November 2009 to rephase a portion of P21 funds from 2010-11 to 2011-12, education authorities have had the flexibility to extend the completion dates of individual P21 projects. The reasons for an extension being granted have included:

- Extra time for re-tendering to achieve greater value for money;
- Further consultation required to ensure better program outcomes;
- Environmental factors (such as wet weather); and
- Unforeseen circumstances.

Refer to attached tables A and B for the list of each school.

Table A: Victorian Independent Schools

School Name	Expected Completion Date	Reason	Commenced Construction
Carnegie Education Centre	3 rd quarter 2012	School was unable to secure a long term lease. School has now leased another site and is awaiting Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) registration. Project is a short-term build.	No
Geelong Baptist College	3 rd quarter 2012	School requested 2012 commencement in order to raise additional funds to put towards the project. Project will commence on-site in March 2012.	No
Learning Cooperative Ltd	3 rd quarter 2012	The school's registration needed to be reviewed by VRQA due to falling enrolments. VRQA registration was assured in late 2011. School is working with local architect and project is presently awaiting planning approval.	No
Sophia Mundi Rudolf Steiner School	June 2012	School needed approval from Heritage Victoria for its new building. Planning approval granted in December 2011. Project has commenced.	Yes
Yarralinda School	May 2012	School took advantage of the rephasing option to further develop project proposal and ensure value for money.	Yes
Yesodei Hatorah College	3 rd quarter 2012	School unable to secure a satisfactory lease at its present site. School is still looking to secure an alternative site.	No

Table B: Victorian Government Schools

School name	Expected Completion Date	Reason	Commenced Construction
Alexandra Primary School	June 2012	Difficulties with the site.	Yes
Aurora School	Early 2013	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Avenel Primary School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Ballerrt Murrup College		Project on hold pending the outcome of a review into Koorie pathways schools.	No
Barwon Valley School	May 2012	Extended consultations on design and value for money.	Yes
Bendigo North Primary School	June 2012	Need for complex negotiations with the local council.	Yes
Bendigo Special Developmental School	May 2012	Extended consultations on design and value for money considerations.	Yes
Beveridge Primary School	March 2012	The scope was renegotiated with the school.	Yes
Boort Primary School	June 2012	Need for complex negotiations with the local council.	Yes
Bright P-12 College	June 2012	Need for complex negotiations with the local council.	Yes
Chandler Primary School	May 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Charlton College	May 2012	Delays in service upgrades	Yes
Comet Hill Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Corryong College	May 2012	Site difficulties.	Yes
Croxton Special School	May 2012	Project being delivered on multiple campuses – difficulty with sites.	Yes
Dallas Primary School	October 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Dallas North Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Deans Marsh Primary School	May 2012	Need for extensive negotiations on scope of project	Yes

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Diamond Valley Special Developmental School	May 2012	Extended consultations on design and value for money considerations.	Yes
Donald Primary School	June 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	Yes
Eaglehawk Primary School	June 2012	Need for complex negotiations with the local council.	Yes
Eskdale Primary School	March 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	Yes
Falls Creek Primary School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Glen Devon Primary School	June 2012	Need for complex negotiations with the local council.	Yes
Glenroy North Primary School	March 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Glenroy Primary School	March 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Glenroy Specialist School	June 2012	Complex stakeholder issues.	Yes
Greenslopes Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Hamlyn Banks Primary School	April 2012	Certification issues and protracted discussions with the local council.	Yes
Katamatite Primary School	March 2012	Extended consultations on design and value for money.	Yes
Koondrook Primary School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Lalor Park Primary School	April 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Lalor West Primary School	April 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Lockwood Primary School	April 2012	Difficulties with the site.	Yes
Longford Primary School	May 2012	Subject to a contractual dispute	Yes
Lyndale Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes

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Manningham Park Primary School	March 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Maralinga Primary School	May 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Marong Primary School	March 2012	Issues associated with the upgrade of the fire service.	Yes
Melrose Primary School	June 2012	Extended consultations and the need to schedule decanting spaces for students.	Yes
Merbein Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Merbein South Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Merbein West Primary School	June 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Mildura Specialist School	May 2012	Extended consultations on design and value for money considerations.	Yes
Mitta Mitta Primary School	April 2012	Difficulties with the site.	Yes
Montmorency South Primary School	March 2012	Need to purchase land.	Yes
Mooroopna North Primary	May 2012	Delays in service upgrades	Yes
Mount Evelyn Special Developmental School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Mount Waverley North Primary School	March 2012	Additional state funds were sought to extend the project.	Yes
Murrabit Group School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Newtown Primary School	April 2012	Certification issues involving extensive consultations with the local council and a hearing by the Building appeals Board.	Yes
Noble Park Primary School	March 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Orchard Grove Primary School	May 2012	Need for extensive consultations on scope of project.	Yes
Peranbin Primary School	May 2012	Difficulty of site	Yes

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Raywood Primary School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Robinvale Consolidated School	April 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Southvale Primary School	May 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Spring Gully Primary School	June 2012	Difficulty of site.	Yes
Springvale Primary School	April 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Springvale South Primary School	May 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Templestowe Heights Primary School	March 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes
Timbarra Primary School	March 2012	Fire on the project site.	Yes
The Patch Primary School	June 2012	Difficulty of site	Yes
Tongala Primary School	Late 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	Yes
Toolamba Primary School	June 2012	Complex negotiations around new school design.	Yes
Toolangi Primary School	May 2012	Delay in completion to Bushfire Assessment Level works	Yes
Toorloo Arm Primary School	June 2012	Value for money considerations.	Yes
Traralgon (Kosciuszko Street) Primary School	March 2012	Contractual issues.	Yes
Undera Primary School	May 2012	Pending Certificate of Occupancy.	Yes
Upfield Primary School	June 2012	Extended consultations around scope of project.	Yes
Upper Ferntree Gully Primary School.	June 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	Yes
Upper Sandy Creek Primary School	May 2012	Delays to service upgrades.	Yes
Wallarano Primary School	April 2012	Multi-school project requiring extensive stakeholder negotiations.	Yes

School name	Expected Completion Date	Reason	Commenced Construction
Wandiligong Primary School	June 2012	Project being managed under the Victorian Government's schools self-management policy.*	No
Wattle Park Primary School	March 2012	Difficulties with the site.	Yes
Wooragee Primary School	April 2012	Extended consultations on design and value for money delayed this project.	Yes
Yarragon Primary School	April 2012	Difficulties with the site.	Yes
Yarrowonga Primary School	June 2012	Decision to change the project's location.	Yes

* Those projects that had not been contracted in the time of the Baillieu Government's election in November 2010 were recommenced under the new Victorian Government's self-management policy. This involves giving principals and school councils greater control over capital works management, including design and tendering with support from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.