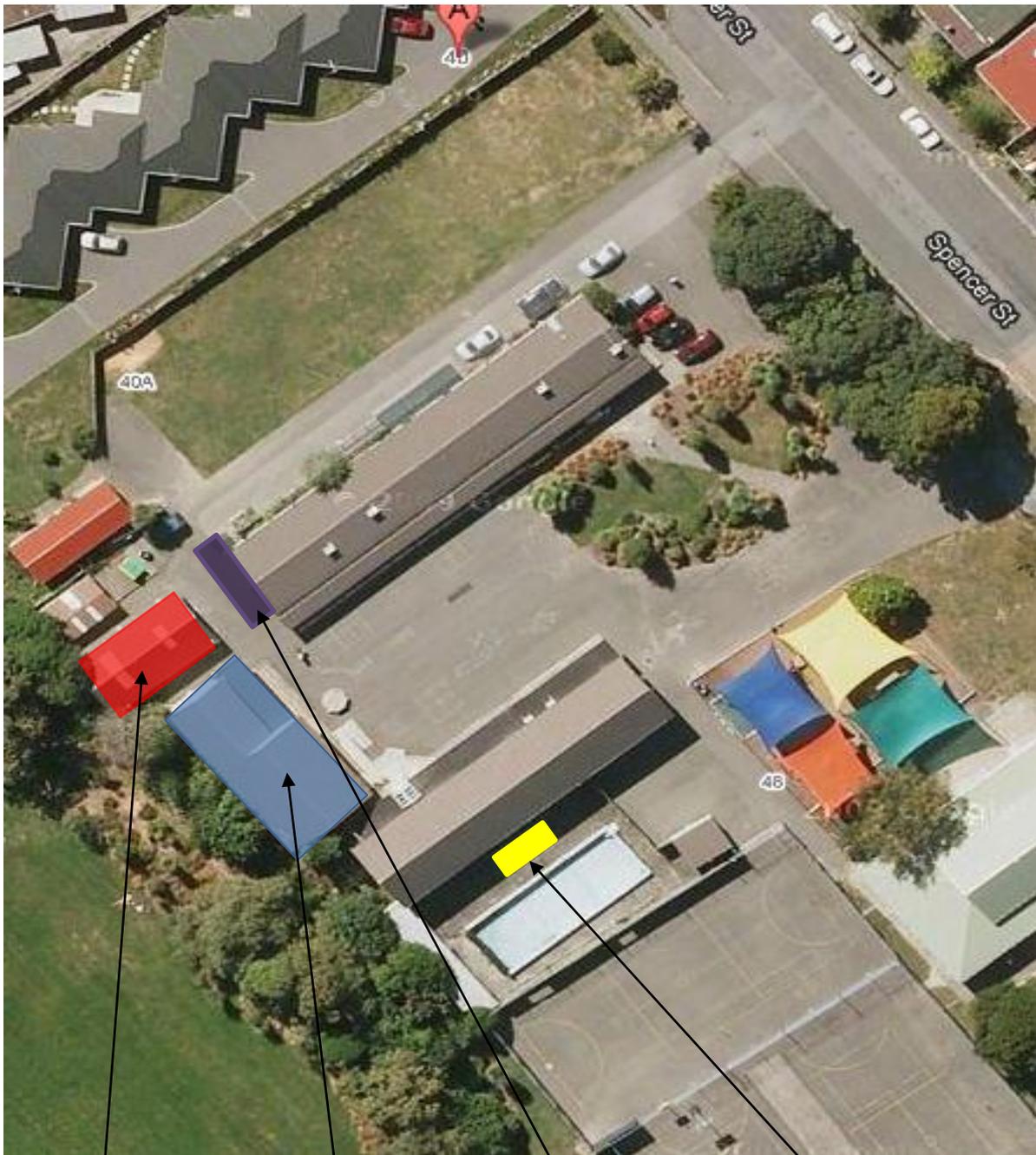


Sacred Heart School (40 Spencer Street, Addington)



Block A1 – Toilets & sheds

Block 2

Temporary toilet block location

Replacement caretaker & storage sheds

During the course of the yet to be completed detailed engineering evaluation (DEE) of Sacred Heart School, the structural engineers from Opus International Consultants have determined Block A1 to be earthquake prone with structural weakness. This building therefore will be demolished during the term break. The engineers have also determined that Block 2 requires strengthening in order to meet appropriate building standards.

The structural engineers have alerted the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch to these preliminary findings and the Diocese has determined that Block A1 should be demolished during the term break and that Block 2 is to be closed for occupancy forthwith, whilst strengthening work is carried out.

The following actions will be undertaken:

1. Hann Construction will be on site from Thursday 4th October 2012 to commence the demolition of Block A1 and the appropriate bracing work that the structural engineers from Opus International have detailed and specified for Block 2.
2. Replacement toilet and storage facilities will be installed during the term break.
3. The strengthening scheme for Block 2 involves the installation of timber Sub-Floor bracing.
4. This bracing work will improve the seismic capacity of Block 2 to 38% of the new building standard.
5. Once the sub-floor bracing work has been completed Block 2 will no longer be considered earthquake prone and will be able to be re-occupied.
6. It is anticipated that this work will be completed by 5pm on Sunday 14th October 2012.
7. Following the completion of this temporary bracing work the Diocese will include Block 2 in its diocesan-wide budgeting process for providing a permanent solution for all buildings, in all schools, to a seismic capacity >67%NBS.

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