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Upcoming construction work

Caretaker's Cottage – new amenities building at Parsley Bay

The Parsley Bay Caretaker's Cottage project is part of the Refresh Vaucluse and Diamond Bay (RVDB) project. The existing amenity block in the car park at Parsley Bay has been demolished to accommodate the new pumping station. In consultation with Woollahra Council, the new improved amenities will be located on the ground floor of the existing Caretaker's Cottage. Accessible temporary amenities which include toilet and shower facilities will be available in Parsley Bay Park whilst this construction occurs.

Sydney Water have awarded the contract to construct the new amenities at the Caretaker's Cottage to Gartner Rose, an experienced construction company with expertise in renovating heritage buildings. Gartner Rose is coordinating construction work and site access with the Parsley Bay pump station main work contractor Abergeldie Complex Infrastructure (ACI) to minimise our impacts to the surrounding community. Both Delivery Partners will be working together to schedule heavy vehicle movements to and from the site, minimise worker parking in local streets, minimise changes to pedestrian access and combine construction progress update for the local community.

Although actual construction work is planned to start later, the site establishment will commence week starting **Monday 14 October 2024**. The new amenities building expected to be **completed in mid-2025**, weather permitting.

What's happening

Site establishment

Site establishment work to include installing secure perimeter fencing, establishing tree protection zones, formation of a material and equipment storage area, and installation of temporary worker facilities including two staff parking spaces.

Work expected to take approximately 1 month.

Start of construction

Modifications to Caretaker's Cottage commences including demolition of existing ground and first internal floors, building materials removed and installation of new concrete support piers.

Work expected to take approximately 2 months.

Installation of services and access requirements

Underground installation to include services - water, gas, fire suppression services, CCTV, and power supply. Above ground installation to include a rainwater tank, new concrete driveway, and decking.

Work expected to take approximately 2 months.

Final build elements

Including waterproofing, tiling, painting, cement wall rendering, installing of bathroom fixtures and fittings, signage, and pest treatment. Final phase will be the testing and commissioning work ahead of opening.

Work expected to take approximately 3 months.

Site demobilisation

Demobilisation of the construction site, and final landscaping.

Work expected to take approximately 1 month.

Accessibility and inclusion

Parsley Bay Reserve performs a vital role in providing publicly accessible space to enjoy the views and features of Sydney Harbour. The new amenity building will include toilets and change rooms for both men and women. There is also a separate family accessible toilet and change facility. The entrance to the female and wheelchair accessible facilities will be next to the kiosk, while the entrance to the male facilities will be on the side of the building along Horler Avenue.

Equipment

Equipment used for this work includes, but is not limited to, vacuum trucks, road saw, compactor, assorted power tools, hand tools, light vehicles, and traffic control. Some of this work is expected to generate high noise, particularly when the vacuum truck and raw saw are in use.

Traffic Management

Some parking may be temporarily disrupted. This is to allow our construction team trucks and light vehicles to access the work area. For large deliveries to site, authorised traffic controllers will assist with traffic flow whilst keeping residents and our team safe.

To minimise impacts we will:

- ensure all heavy vehicle routes use the most direct connections to and from Parsley Bay.
- use dust suppression methods, including stabilising loose material and watering the site, roads, and trucks.
- install devices onto equipment to minimise noise, particularly non-tonal reversing beepers.
- turn off machinery when not in use.
- manage any hazardous building materials we find with licensed contractors.
- park work vehicles within our approved parking spots, and surrounding streets (not Parsley Road), to reduce impacts to local parking.
- minimise our impact to the local environment including installing and maintaining erosion and sediment controls at our work sites.
- always maintain public access to the children's playground, temporary amenities, and food truck in the Reserve.



Artist impressions drawings of the new amenities building.

Our work hours

Monday to Friday, from 7 am to 6 pm and on Saturdays from 8 am to 1 pm. If we need to work outside these hours, we will notify residents in advance.

Contact

Contact our community engagement team on **1800 641 349** or email us on vauclosediamondbay@sydneywater.com.au.