

CIRCULAR QUAY TOWER STAKEHOLDER QUARTERLY UPDATE

APRIL - JUNE 2019

PROGRESS ON SITE OVER PAST QUARTER

As our neighbours will have seen, demolition is on target for completion at the end of April, with the works now down to George Street. For the fans of Dutch Smuggler, this will mean easier access to your morning coffee and mi goreng jaffles. The tower crane which has faithfully serviced the demolition works for the past twelve months, was dismantled and removed on the last weekend of March. Our focus switches across to excavation and with that, we have a lot of key activities under way.

The perimeter piling wall is now complete on Underwood Street and Pitt Street. Rugby Lane is currently on program to be complete by end of April. Wall anchors to support the excavation have also commenced, following the piling works. For those of you not familiar with this terminology, wall anchoring is the task of drilling holes into a wall of an excavation and using steel cables, grouted and stressed. This enables a deep excavation to take place mitigating the risk of excavations collapsing. Archaeology works remain a focus, as they follow the piling and anchoring works around the site. This is a critical component to ensure we protect the heritage of the site and record history of the area. Bulk excavation is being carried out as work areas become available. Vehicle movements will increase slightly but we don't anticipate this will be to the detriment to the current road system.







ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE NEXT QUARTER

Site access will remain primarily via Gate 3 along Underwood Street and Gate 5 along Pitt Street, until the access platforms on Pitt Street and George Street are completed. No doubt many of our neighbours will be more than pleased to hear that we expect completion of demolition Works during this period, along with removal of existing foundations associated with 182 George Street.

Hoardings will be reconfigured to suit the building works.. It is unlikely this will affect any of the public artwork along the hoarding lines. The next quarter will also see completion of the piling works and wall anchors.

We will also be installing the steel and concrete platforms on Pitt Street and George Street, this will enable the deep excavation works to progress. This is a working platform for trucks, built on site. From the street our neighbours won't see anything, but it allows us to have trucks enter the site at street level whilst we are excavating below. Its business as usual with ongoing bulk and detail excavation works, and we are preparing for yellow block sandstone extraction.

Yellow Block is extracted by saw cutting, using large excavators. The stone is cut into large blocks and craned into trucks and taken off site. Like most other sites across Sydney, the yellow block will be stored for future restoration works of Sydney sandstone (heritage) buildings.

ABORIGINAL ARCHAEOLOGY ENGAGEMENT DAY

The Circular Quay Tower project team were delighted to see over 130 people through the Aboriginal Archaeology Day in early March. This collaboration with Comber Consultants, City of Sydney and Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council provided a key opportunity for our teams and members of the public to better understand the land we are on, prior to European settlement. Participants on the day where able to find out about and in some cases hold some of the artifacts, while also hearing of glass being fashioned into tools and other sewing implements by the local Gadi people. Everyone wrapped up their tours with bush tucker, courtesy of Koori Kulcha and learnt about future public artwork, Bara, which is being delivered in the area by City of Sydney as part of Eora Journey. The majority of people surveyed after the event said they found the tours enriching and gave a clear insight to the complexity of developing and engagement on projects like these. There was also a significant number of people keen to see events like this repeated, so watch this space for future collaborations.





BUSINESS LIAISON GROUP MEETING - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Due to an overall focus on excavation over the next six weeks, we will defer the next Business Liaison Group meeting to July 8th. We expect to have detailed information about the future Community Building by this stage and look forward to sharing it with you. Any stakeholders keen to follow up on individual matters that relate to their tenancies or potential impacts from our site are more than welcome to get in touch and we can meet one on one.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Should you require further information about this project please contact our Stakeholder Engagement Manager, Cara Wood on cara.wood@lendlease.com



