Project update

ANZAC Obelisk on Anzac Parade reinstatement

December 2016

The NSW Government is funding the refurbishment of ANZAC Obelisk on Anzac Parade, Moore Park.

Roads and Maritime Services has refurbished the ANZAC Obelisk on Anzac Parade and will begin work to relocate it to Moore Park from Monday 9 January 2017.

The environmental assessment for the relocation of the Obelisk was completed as part of the Albert “Tibby” Cotter Walkway Review of Environmental Factors (REF) in 2014. The REF was placed on public display between 21 March and 13 April 2014 for community and stakeholder comment. A report was prepared responding to issues raised, however, at the time a permanent location for the Obelisk had not been identified. A further REF assessment was carried out to address the impact of the proposed modification to reinstate the Obelisk in a location in Moore Park on Anzac Parade. This addendum REF is available to view on the project website.

Heritage value
The Obelisk is a strong reminder of the Great War and the impact it had on the Australian people and in particular New South Wales. The war memorial commemorates the departure of soldiers from the nearby barracks in Kensington as early as 1914. It was erected in 1917 to coincide with the renaming of Randwick Road to Anzac Parade. The Obelisk has historic significance to NSW and is also of associative, aesthetic, social and representative significance. Despite having been relocated previously it has retained its contextual association with Anzac Parade.

Project background
The ANZAC Obelisk on Anzac Parade was erected at the northern end of Anzac Parade in 1917. It is an important historic landmark and one of the earliest war memorials in NSW. It was constructed to mark the renaming of Randwick Road to Anzac Parade and dedicated to the memory of those who served from New South Wales during the Great War.

The original location of the ANZAC Obelisk was at the start of Anzac Parade, at the intersection with Moore Park Road. During construction of the Eastern Distributor in 1998, it was moved to further south along Anzac Parade. In 2014, the Shared Path Bridge over Anzac Parade at Moore Park project commenced, requiring a further relocation. The Obelisk was removed in 2014 and conservation work to the monument has been carried out. The installation of the Obelisk will start on Monday 9 January 2017.
What’s coming up

Work will begin on **Monday 9 January 2017** and will be completed by **March 2017**. The work will include:

- Construction of a raised platform for the Obelisk
- Minor trimming of nearby vegetation
- Installation of a CCTV pole and camera to be monitored by Roads and Maritime
- Modification to an existing shared path
- Installation of the Obelisk and bollards
- Installation of lettering on the Anzac Parade median wall
- Landscaping including turfing.

The work will be carried out from **Mondays to Fridays between 7am and 6pm** and **Saturdays between 8am and 1pm**, excluding public holidays.

Location of the ANZAC Obelisk

Roads and Maritime commissioned heritage consultants to provide a consolidated heritage analysis on the relocation of the Obelisk. We engaged with key stakeholders including Centennial Parklands, Returned and Services League of Australia (NSW) and the City of Sydney to determine the right location for the Obelisk.

Ten locations were investigated as part of the heritage analysis and engagement with stakeholders. The chosen location is at the northern end of Anzac Parade within Moore Park East.

Included is a map to showing where the Obelisk will be installed.

The location provides an improved setting for the Obelisk, allowing for the reinstatement of an appropriate landscape setting and provides a strong opportunity for public access and interpretation.

How will the work affect you?

There will be some noise associated with this work. We will make every effort to minimise noise, including ensuring our work program allows opportunities for respite, if required.

Nearby residents and businesses will be notified in advance of any night work activities and the community will be kept informed at key stages of the project.

Contact

If you have any questions, please call the project team on 1800 677 700 or email nswenquiries@vbajv.com.au.

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Thank you for your patience during this important work.