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PROJECT UPDATE



Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront



A model of the sculpture to be located on Casuarina Drive. (L-R) Peter Jago – Artist Team -Lighting specialist; Hon Don Punch MLA; Jake Coghlan – Artist Team – Sculptor; Alan Ferris CEO City of Bunbury; Ashley Clements, Director Infrastructure & Lands, South West Development Commission.

Artist announced for waterfront public artwork

Locals and visitors will soon have another reason to explore the popular Jetty Baths Park picnicking spot, which continues to be enhanced as part of Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront.

An artist has been commissioned to enhance the area through the delivery of a unique public artwork that will pay tribute to the working harbour.

Andrew Frazer Designs has been awarded the contract to construct two sculptures that will book-end Jetty Baths Park and encourage people to venture to each end of the precinct.

With the nearby Bunbury Lighthouse as a source of inspiration, the sculptures will highlight how the striking landmark serves as a beacon that communicates through light and safely guides seafarers.

A simple yet dynamic approach to lighting will connect the two sculptures and provide a unique wayfinding nighttime experience for visitors, without impacting on local residents.

The installations will be constructed using the same corten steel material as the Wardandi Boodja sculpture

at the Koombana Foreshore, an area previously revitalised through Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront.

The awarding of the contract follows a tender process managed by the City of Bunbury. Funding for the project is from the South West Development Commission as part of Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront project.



The sculpture on Casuarina Drive is designed to provide unique viewing towards the sculpture to be located on the Jetty Road Causeway.

A State Government project





Gearing up to deliver game-changing breakwater
Long-held vision for waterfront another step closer to reality

Tenders have been called for the construction of a northern breakwater at Bunbury’s Casuarina Boat Harbour – the key to unlocking a regional marine industry precinct.

The 460-metre-long breakwater will serve as the critical infrastructure needed to fulfill more of the city’s potential as a thriving waterfront city by creating the sheltered waters needed for:

- A future marine servicing precinct incorporating boat lifting, boat servicing, and boat storage;
- Opportunities for serviced lease sites for other marine commercial activities, stimulating local business and job opportunities; and
- New commercial and recreational boat pens and service wharf, allowing vessels to safely moor year-round in Koombana Bay.

Another component is the refurbishment of the existing beach groyne on the Koombana Bay foreshore, which could be extended as part of a possible future Koombana Bay marina, subject to environmental approval.

The harbour manager and delivery agency, the Department of Transport, is working closely with the lead agency, the South West Development Commission, to deliver the new breakwater.

It is anticipated that dredging work will commence mid-this year with construction of the breakwater expected to begin later in 2024.

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Construction of the northern breakwater will require about 89,000 tonnes of armour rock and 435,000 tonnes of core rock.

Dredging work to prepare the foundation for the new breakwater and ensure safe navigation for the entrance channel will be included in the construction contract, which will be the largest awarded in Stage 3 of the \$78.1 million Transforming Bunbury’s Waterfront project.

The community is already benefiting from earlier upgrades to the harbour including improvements to Jetty Road causeway, the refurbishment of the Casuarina Boat Harbour boat ramp, upgrade of the trailer parking area and a new ablutions block.



In another exciting milestone for Transforming Bunbury’s Waterfront, tenders have been called for the construction of a northern breakwater at Casuarina Boat Harbour. Pictured: Regional Development Minister Don Punch with Ashley Clements and Mellisa Teede from the South West Development Commission, and Anthony Wilson and Megan Willis from the Department of Transport.

Photography exhibition puts focus on waterfront



You are invited to the opening of the Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre's new exhibition, **Enjoying Our Waterfront**, which is proudly sponsored by the South West Development Commission.

Come along and view the photos selected for the exhibition, allowing yourself to be taken on a pictorial journey through the history of Bunbury's waterfront and how it has been enjoyed by the community over the years.

The winners of the Enjoying Our Waterfront Photo Competition will be announced during the evening.

During the event, The Castaway Shantymen will perform sea shanties and Cuprum Distillery will hold a pop-up bar serving their Captain Coffin rum, named after the captain of the Samuel Wright, one of Koombana Bay's many shipwrecks.

Light refreshments and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided at this free event at the Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre on **Thursday 18 April 2024** from **5.30pm to 7.30pm**.

Register at: www.bunbury.wa.gov.au/museum

The exhibition runs from 19 April until July/August and will feature a host of activities for adults and children including talks, walking tours and interactive activities. A variety of maritime artifacts will be on display from the City of Bunbury, the WA Maritime Museum and donated by the public.



COMMUNITY DROP-IN INFORMATION SESSIONS

Thursday April 11
5pm – 7pm



Jetty Road Causeway
Multi-Purpose Building,
Bunbury



Government of Western Australia
Department of Transport



The South West Development Commission, together with our project partner the Department of Transport invite you to drop in and meet the project team.

We will be there to discuss project updates, forthcoming works and timelines, gain your feedback on concepts for future stages and answer your questions.

Bunbury waterfront development stages



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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Stage One - Complete

- 1 Koombana Foreshore Revitalisation
- 2 Dolphin Discovery Centre Redevelopment

Stage Two - Under Transformation

- 3 Jetty Road Causeway Upgrade - complete
- 4 Casuarina Drive Redevelopment

Stage Three - Phase 1 - Planning in Progress

- 5 Construction of new breakwaters, delivery of key marine infrastructure and marine servicing facilities, as well as upgrading existing boat launching facilities

Additional Notes

- 6 Proposed multi-club facility funded through private investment

Disclaimer: The imagery and details in Stage 2B (4) and all of Stage 3 are concepts only and may change as the project develops. Project subject to operational changes as the project develops. Multi-club marine facility will be funded through private investment.



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