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Property clearing – Gardeners Road

As part of the New M5 project, a new bridge will be built over the canal at Gardeners Road to link the new St Peters interchange, increasing connectivity with Alexandria and Mascot. In order to facilitate this, vacant buildings recently acquired by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) located on Gardeners Road and within the project footprint, will be progressively removed.

Property clearing will be undertaken from **Mid-August and continue until approximately March 2018**, weather permitting. A map showing the work areas and approximate timing of work is provided overleaf. Please note - these dates are indicative only and subject to further changes.

This work will generally occur between **7am and 6pm from Monday to Friday and 8am and 1pm on Saturday**. Businesses will be consulted if work is required outside of these hours.

Work activities will include:

- Removing remaining vegetation within the construction site
- Removing hazardous materials if required
- Disconnecting, removing and/or relocating utility services such as electricity, gas and water
- Salvaging heritage items (none have been identified so far)
- Progressive property clearing and building removal works including breaking of the slab.

Utility disconnections

Part of the work includes the disconnection and connection of water, gas and sewerage from acquired and remaining properties. Work to disconnect electricity from each acquired unit is currently underway. All disconnections/connections that may impact remaining units will be communicated in advance and a preferred time will be arranged with the tenant.

If a temporary loss of water, gas or sewer is required, mitigation measures will be in place such as generators and scheduling cut-overs outside of work hours.

MDF Room 3 is located within one of the blocks being demolished. The entire switchboard will be relocated to MDF Room 2 in 2018 (it will remain through the demolition). Advance notification will be sent out regarding this work closer to the date.

Hazardous material removal

Hazardous materials, such as asbestos, have been identified in some of the buildings being removed. This is common in older buildings and will be the first stage of the demolition process.

To ensure the safety of the public and workers, all work to remove and treat hazardous materials will comply with our obligations under NSW Work Health and Safety Act 2011.

The work will be carried out by a licensed contractor and air quality monitoring will be undertaken during the removal of asbestos contaminated material. For more information about managing hazardous materials during property clearing, visit westconnex.com.au/NewM5.

For more information



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Traffic changes

Some activities may require temporary changed traffic conditions around the work site. Access will always be maintained into businesses unless otherwise agreed with the impacted tenants. Traffic control and signage will be in place to guide motorists, pedestrians and cyclists through any changed traffic conditions.

Construction vehicles will be parked within the construction compounds at all times.

Minimising the impact on businesses

Every effort will be made to minimise the impact from dust and vibration to surrounding businesses including:

- Erecting geotech fabric and shade cloth along the fence line to prevent the spread of dust particulates from leaving the site
- Ongoing use of water carts to dampen the work site and prevent dust from forming
- Not scheduling demolition work on high wind days
- Providing regular respite periods during high impact construction work
- Vibration monitoring to ensure work is within acceptable structural limits.

Location of property clearing work near Bourke Road, Alexandria

(Note dates are indicative only and may change)



If you have a question or complaint about this work, please call 1800 660 248 and ask to speak to a member of the New M5 community engagement team or email info@newm5.com.au.

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