



*Temporary diversion of
Honeysuckle Drive during works*

HONEYSUCKLE IS CHANGING

Welcome to the Autumn edition of the Honeysuckle Update.

The Hunter and Central Coast Development Corporation (HCCDC) will deliver three significant projects across the Honeysuckle Precinct in 2020, including the upgrade of Honeysuckle Drive, construction of Worth Place Park West and ongoing delivery of seawall works to support a future harbour promenade.

As we write this update, COVID-19 is impacting all aspects of our daily lives. Fortunately, our construction projects are continuing to be delivered at this time as an important stimulus to the local and state economy. We are working closely with our contractors to ensure safe health work practices are implemented in line with NSW Government Public Health Orders.

HONEYSUCKLE DRIVE UPGRADE

The upgrade of Honeysuckle Drive is now underway and will deliver a wider, realigned road between Hannell and Steel streets. It will also deliver improved merging lanes to enhance safety and improve traffic flow into the city. New footpaths will be constructed on both sides of the road and cycle lanes will be provided.

Works commenced in March with a carpark reconfiguration and new carpark entrance. This work allowed a temporary diversion road and separated pedestrian and cycle path to be constructed through the temporary carpark. This will ensure everyone can continue to travel safely through the precinct during construction.

Works to date have progressed smoothly, and we thank the community for following signage and helping us ensure public safety at all times.

We will continue to keep people informed of any higher impact works, such as night works or temporary diversions. This will be through letterbox drops, notifications, signage, Facebook posts and via our website.

Visit hccdc.nsw.gov.au/honeysuckle-works for more detail on works taking place in the precinct. You can also request to receive communications by contacting us at honeysuckle@hccdc.nsw.gov.au



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HONEYSUCKLE PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Across Honeysuckle there are multiple projects underway, creating a buzz of construction activity. Projects beyond ours include Doma Group's Lume, Huntington and Little National developments, as well as the University of Newcastle's Honeysuckle City Campus Development. Construction will commence on the Horizon Newcastle development in the near future.

This is what you can expect to see this year.

FIND OUT MORE: Project information and contact details of each Project Manager or Developer are published on our website www.hccdc.nsw.gov.au/honeysuckle-works

2. Horizons on the Harbour

The mixed-use development planned for Lee 5 will be marketed as Horizons on the Harbour. The development will consist of three separate harbourside buildings, with unique landscaping fully integrated with the public domain.

Construction is set to commence early in 2021.



3. Seawall Works

Construction of the Cottage Creek seawalls is continuing with completion due mid-year. So far 101,000 tonnes of rock and 8,000 tonnes of recycled concrete has been placed along the waterfront as part of the works.

The works also include installation of stormwater infrastructure to support new public domain and future development.



4. Worth Place Park West construction approved

We are excited to deliver a new green space in Honeysuckle West, connecting to the existing harbour promenade and green public space at Worth Place.

The park will include sandstone block steps into the harbour, shelter with picnic seating, covered barbecue facilities and a Maritime inspired play area. Native trees, including banksia, tuckeroos and pines, will line new pedestrian links, making it easier to move from the waterfront to the Honeysuckle Light Rail stop. Construction is expected to commence mid-year and is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2020.



1. Honeysuckle Drive Upgrade



5. New DA lodged for 42 Honeysuckle Drive

Doma Group is taking a new approach to its development at 42 Honeysuckle Drive by amending its plans for the Little National hotel to include hotel, office space, retail and car parking in a single development.

This combination is designed to offer business travellers and office tenants access to hotel facilities such as co-working spaces, meeting spaces, lounges, gym facilities and a roof top bar.

Construction on the project is on hold while plans are approved, but works are expected for completion by early 2022.

6. Huntington 35 Honeysuckle Drive

Doma's 88-apartment Huntington development at 35 Honeysuckle Drive is due for completion late 2021.

Huntington will also overlook new harbourside promenade which will be delivered by HCCDC in 2021, in line with the completion of Huntington.



7. Lume nearing completion

Lume by Doma Group is nearing completion, with the development expected to be ready mid-year. The mixed-use development will incorporate 154 apartment dwellings, commercial and retail space, and parking. It will overlook HCCDC's Worth Place West Park which will be delivered later in 2020.



8. University of Newcastle Honeysuckle City Campus

The University of Newcastle recently named Hansen Yuncken as the successful tenderer to construct the first building of the Honeysuckle City Campus. The University expects construction to begin in May 2020 and the building will be ready for students from mid-2021.

The open-plan layout and glass structure acts to invite the community into the space and will accommodate the Integrated Innovation Network (I2N) Hub and the School of Creative Industries.

KEY

HCCDC Projects

Private Sector Projects

Under Construction

1. Honeysuckle Drive Upgrade - construction underway
2. Horizons on the Harbour - construction to commence 2021
3. Seawall works - due to complete mid-year
4. Worth Place Park West - construction to commence mid-year
5. Little National Hotel - awaiting new approvals
6. Huntington - construction underway
7. Lume - construction underway
8. University of Newcastle Honeysuckle City Campus - construction underway



THE WHARF HONEYSUCKLE

We recently sought proposals for a new tenant for The Wharf, the historic building in the heart of Honeysuckle's dining and entertainment precinct.

Submissions for the future use are under review and we expect to announce the successful operator in mid-2020.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MORE WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

Did you know that the average national participation rate for women in construction is 11 per cent? This is equivalent to the number of men employed as registered nurses.¹

In the civil construction sector, the participation rate is even lower at 8.5%.

It's also something that HCCDC is keen to improve.

We are pleased to partner with Robson Civil in trialling measures that encourage awareness of and participation of women in construction projects.

Robson Civil was recently awarded the contract to upgrade Honeysuckle Drive. At 11 per cent, their female workforce is higher than the national average for civil construction and they have been working to increase the participation rate and encourage women to join the construction industry.

They are doing this by offering education, career and training opportunities as well as setting a target of 15 per cent of all hours worked on this project to be by women. This doesn't mean that the number of women on site have to work more hours but that they are targeting a higher female participation rate. Sub-contractors working on the project are encouraged to do the same.

We encourage these initiatives and will participate in and support the activities as much as possible.

¹ Source Australian College of Nursing, Registration data in 2017 shows that men make up just 11.75% of the registered nursing workforce in Australia. May 16, 2019



DID YOU KNOW?



We are removing the concrete covers over Cottage Creek and restoring the banks to a more natural rock-lined state



We are recycling 8000 tonnes of processed concrete material from old wharves into new seawalls



We are planting 29 mature trees in the soon to be landscaped Worth Place Park West

Honeysuckle
is experiencing
the next stage
of transformation.

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