



Transport for NSW

# Kamay Ferry Wharves

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Transport for NSW is inviting the community and other stakeholders to on-site information sessions about the proposed reinstatement of the ferry wharves at La Perouse and Kurnell.

Since July 2020 the community and other stakeholders provided input via meetings and the Kamay Ferry Wharves Your Say webpage.

The proposal is defined as “State Significant Infrastructure” and will be assessed by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE). If approved, conditions to the planning approval will be informed by a range of matters including submissions from the public.

We continue to work on the designs for the proposed wharves and continue to shape them based on the feedback we receive.

Four on-site information sessions are being held to invite further input that will inform these designs and the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project.

## Have your say

We are inviting your input prior to the release of an EIS in the middle of this year. Visit **Your Say Kamay Ferry Wharves** at

<https://yoursay.transport.nsw.gov.au/kamay-ferry-wharves>

to give us further input about the following topics:

- Need and benefit of the project
- Social impacts (fishing areas, conflict of users, amenity)
- Parking
- Traffic
- Environmental Impact Assessment process
- Noise
- Flora and Fauna / Biodiversity
- Design and aesthetics
- Construction
- Operation of a ferry service.

You have until 5 March 2021 to ensure your feedback is captured in the EIS.

You can also visit us at one of the following locations in February between the times indicated.

Masks should be worn and we will be complying with social distancing requirements.

**Kurnell** in the park by the water at the corner where the monument track meets Captain Cook Drive

- Wednesday 17 February between 5pm - 7pm
- Saturday 20 February between 10am-12pm

**La Perouse** on the lawns in front of the La Perouse Museum, 1542 Anzac Parade, La Perouse.

- Wednesday 24 February between 5pm-7pm
- Saturday 27 February between 10am - 12pm

You can drop in to see us at any time between these hours.

Check the Your Say Kamay Ferry Wharves website for changes in the case of further Covid restrictions.

Additional information is available from the project website at and more detailed information will be provided with the release of the EIS. To access the web page, scan the QR code below.



## Stories about the historical ferry service

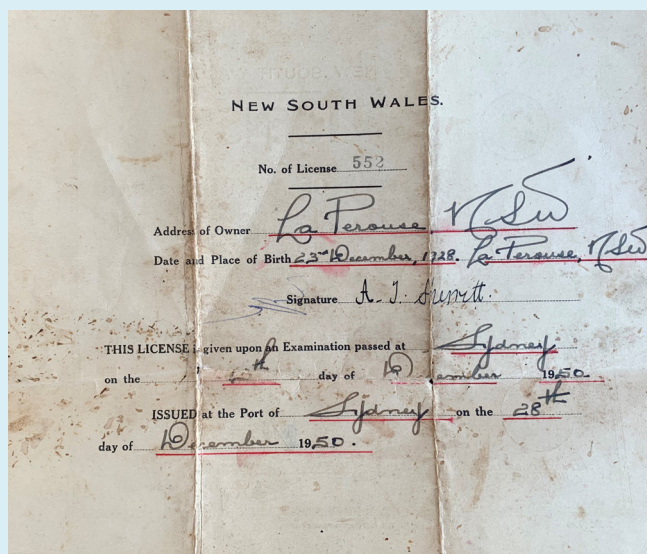
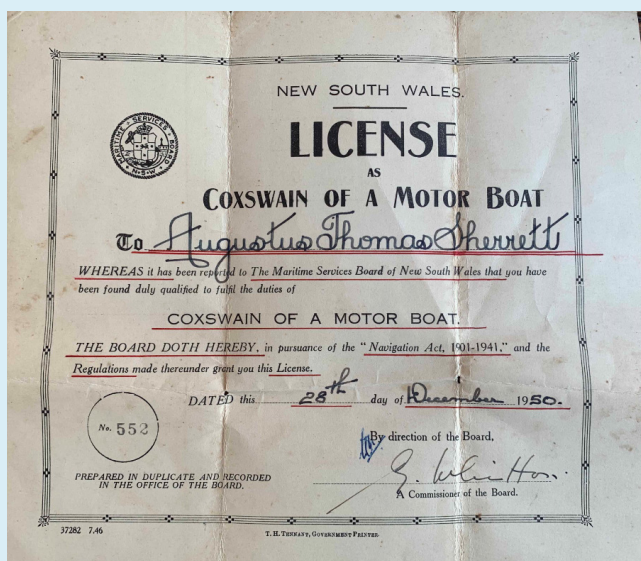
We called for stories about the former wharves and ferry service and in response we learned that they were a cultural and social focus for the community at that time. Many people were sad about losing them.

There were stories of the local young women gathering with their friends to sunbake on the wharves, young women and men diving from the wharves for coins thrown by tourists and the coins being stored in the mouth of the divers to protect their booty while they kept diving. Some predicted that there is still a lot of money to be found in the sea bed where the wharves once were.

We heard that people took trips across the bay from La Perouse to picnic, fish or collect shells at Kurnell and also heard tales of people missing the last ferry back to La Perouse and having to camp overnight at Kurnell to catch the ferry the following day.

We also heard about Augustus Thomas Sherrett of La Perouse. He was a well known Aboriginal person and possibly the first Aboriginal person licensed to drive the ferry (see photos below).

We encourage you to share more of your stories with us as the project progresses.



This 'License as Coxswain of a Motor Boat' was kindly supplied for our use by Marion Russell, a niece of Augustus

## Contact us

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact our project team:



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