

## Manly Cove

### Community update

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Transport for NSW proposes to upgrade Manly Wharf 3 and enhance the area of the former Manly Sea Life site to improve accessibility for all of the community including those with assisted and unassisted mobility needs.

Transport has carried out community consultation for both projects and has gathered feedback that has been compiled into a summary report. Feedback received will be considered during the ongoing design development and environmental assessments for both projects in Manly Cove.

### Community consultation

Transport invited feedback on the proposed concept designs for the two projects between **Wednesday 15 December 2021** and **Friday 28 January 2022**.

#### How we consulted

A community update was distributed to residents, businesses, and stakeholders in the area, to provide details of the proposals and how people could have their say.

Stakeholders and the community were able to access and view the proposed designs via the Manly Cove web portal. They were encouraged to provide feedback, leave comments, and make submissions via an online feedback form, email, or phone contact.

Transport also hosted four community pop up sessions where people could speak to members of the project team in the main wharf complex at the entry to Wharf 1.

Feedback was also encouraged through social media.

#### Consultation fast facts



##### Community update/flyers

**13,653** copies distributed - Community update (print and online)

**200** flyers A5 sized distributed in Manly

**300** flyers size A4 delivered during the community sessions



##### Interactive Online Portal

(live on 15 December 2021)

Stat value

Headline

**6073**

Total pageviews



##### Website Data (nswroads.work/manly-cove)

From 15 December to 28 January - Consultation period

**11,570** pageviews

**9,654** Unique pageviews

**863** Unique visitors

**62% Mobile, 30.65% Desktop** and **7.33% table** devices used

**1002** Total sessions

**2000** Most common postcode

## Former Manly Sea Life

Transport proposes to enhance the Manly West Esplanade precinct area and reconnect the Manly Cove Pavilion (State Heritage building) with the beach by removing the aquarium building and extending the boardwalk with enough width for outdoor dining and a recreational edge.



Artist's impression of enhancement of West Esplanade area

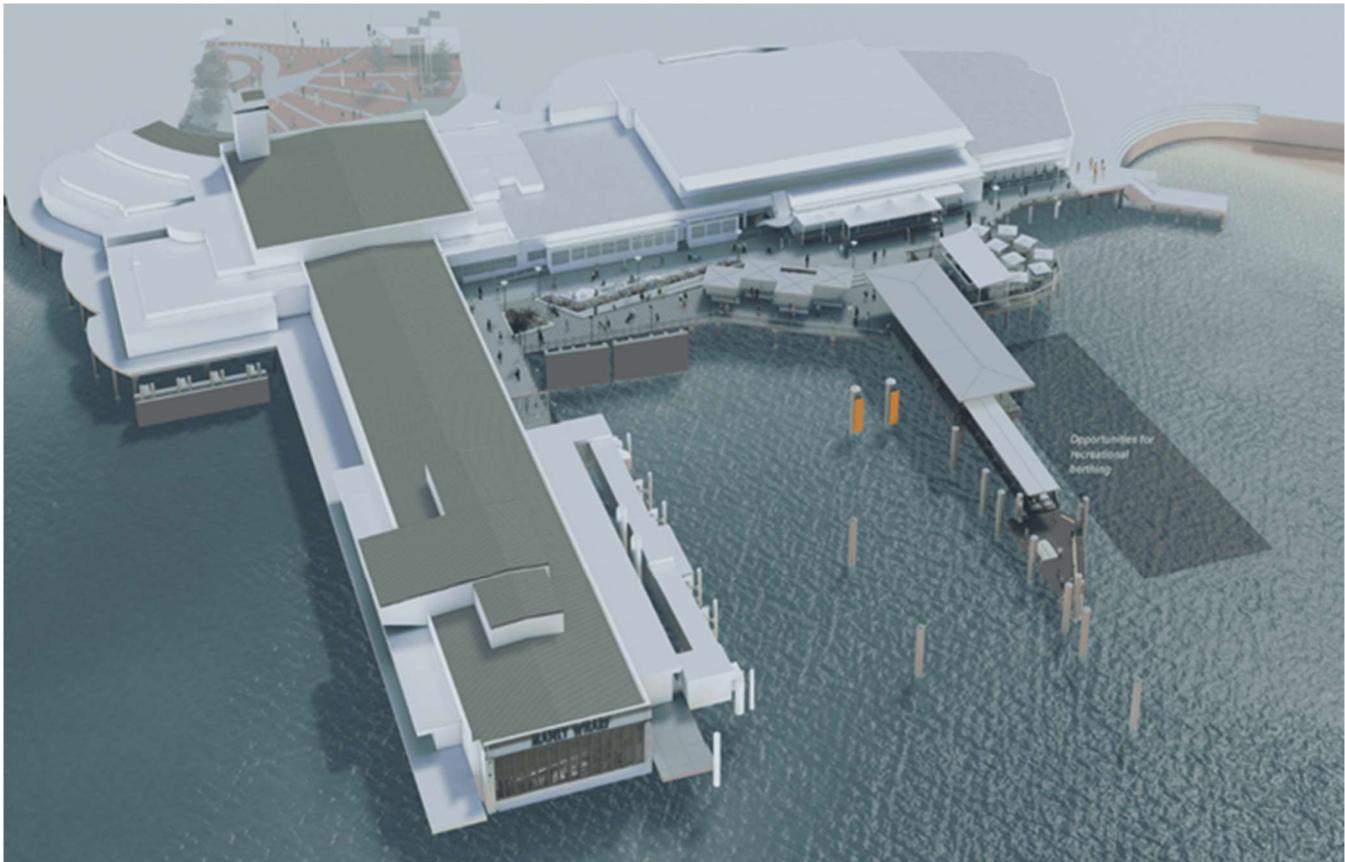
## What you told us

A summary of key feedback themes about the former Manly Sea Life site included:

- Support for the demolition of the former Manly Sea Life building
- Potential impacts to marine habitats and biodiversity in Manly Cove
- Design considerations for improved public amenities
- Requests to provide dining options, seating, and relaxation spaces
- Feedback was also received to reinstate the harbour pool and former boardwalk. It was acknowledged this not part of the project scope of works. This feedback has also been provided to Northern Beaches Council.

## Manly Wharf 3

Transport proposes to upgrade Manly Wharf 3, so all customers can safely use the Wharf. Customers with mobility needs currently have difficulty accessing ferry or other commercial services from Manly Wharf 3.



Artist's impression of enhancement of Wharf 3 upgrade

## What you told us

Summary of key feedback themes about Manly Wharf 3 included:

- General support for the proposed upgrade of Manly Wharf 3 and accessibility improvements
- Concern about potential impacts to biodiversity and requests that that any environmental assessment should consider and assess the impacts to aquatic ecology around Manly Cove
- Creation of an opportunity to share the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage of the area
- Support for recreational berthing in Manly Cove due to opportunities for the local economy
- Possible impacts to existing facilities near Wharf 3 and impacts to businesses and lessees.

Following community feedback, an additional multi-level platform structure will be included in the design to allow for safe drop-off and pick-up for small commercial vessels (e.g., water taxis) and recreational vessels at a range of tidal levels. The community will be provided with more information and able to have their say on this important addition to the proposal during the display of the environmental assessment in the coming months.

## Summary reports

A Community Consultation Report for both the Former Manly Sea Life and Manly Wharf 3 projects has been prepared. This report is available to view or download at [nswroads.work/manly-cove](https://nswroads.work/manly-cove).

## Next steps

We would like to thank the community for participating in this round of consultation. Feedback provided has provided valuable insight and will be used to inform future stages of the project.

We will carry out further consultation later this year when the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) for each project are put on public display.

## Former Manly Sea Life

Work has started on the development of the design, as well as environmental investigations.

## Manly Wharf 3

Work has started on the development of the reference design, as well as environmental investigations.

These investigations will be used to understand the impacts of the proposal, establish safeguards and management measures to mitigate the impacts which will be documented in the REF.

## Keeping you up to date

We will continue to keep the community informed as the projects progress. We will provide further community updates and update our website.



## Contact us

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

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