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On Wednesday 7 September 2022 Transport for NSW hosted a livestream on the Central Precinct Renewal Program. This Question-and-Answer document provides responses to questions asked during the livestream the team didn't have time to answer. To watch a recording of the livestream please visit the project [webpage](#).

1. Building over intercity platforms

1.1 Can you advise the long-term impacts on number of active platforms and lengths? Will this reduce the intercity train capacity permanently?

As part of the Central Precinct Renewal, improvements will be made to intercity platform widths and lengths, and track infrastructure. To achieve this, the Program proposes to temporarily close a limited number of intercity platforms in a staged approach to continue to support train operations and minimise impact to customers. As the Program progresses, we will be able to provide more detail on the construction and operational impacts at Central Station.

1.2 How will diesel-hauled trains such as the Indian Pacific and heritage steam trains be handled under the deck?

Steam trains and Indian Pacific trains will continue to operate at Central Station.

2. Central Precinct images

2.1 The concept images don't show the tram loop near the Grand Concourse at Central. Is this to be removed and the L1 line rerouted?

The L1 Dulwich Hill light rail line will continue to operate at the Grand Concourse at Central Station. Please note the artist's impressions shown during the livestream are indicative only.

2.2 Will the tracks to Mortuary Station and through the Broadway underpass to the Goods Line shown in the concept image still be able to be used?

The tracks along the Goods Line will be functional but not used as part of day-to-day operations. The precinct renewal provides the opportunity to revitalise the southern sections of the Goods Line, creating a walking and cycling connection from Central to Darling Harbour.

Funding

2.3 Will this project be dependent on state or federal funding?

The Central Precinct Renewal Program is at a rezoning application stage which will enable land at Central to be developed in stages over the next 10-15 years. As the Program progresses to planning and delivery stages, business cases will be prepared, and funding options investigated.

2.4 Does the project need to pay for itself, or will it be subsidised?

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3. 24-hour economy and retail activation

3.1 Given the amount of public space and the fact that this is not a predominantly residential space, how does the development cater to day to night activation and provision of entertainment uses aside from cafes and restaurants?

Subject to approval of the State Significant Precinct Study, Central Precinct will predominantly be zoned B8 – Metropolitan Centre and B4 – Mixed Use. This will allow for a broad mix of uses such as cultural, recreation, tourism, student accommodation, education, and entertainment as well as cafes and restaurants to ensure a new mixed-use precinct to support a vibrant and activated Precinct both day and night.

4. Public space

4.1 How much of the Precinct will be publicly accessible when it currently is now public land?

The Central Precinct Renewal Program provides an opportunity to renew up to 24 hectares of underutilised land in and around Central Station. While the precinct is now public land, it is predominantly inaccessible as it is the rail corridor and used for other port purposes. The precinct renewal will deliver approximately 60,000sqm of new and enhanced public spaces with around 20,700sqm provided as parks, squares, and plazas.

5. Project timelines

5.1 Is there a forecasted completion dates of the project?

The renewal of Central Precinct is a long term, major city-shaping program which will be delivered in stages over the next 10-15 years. It is now at the rezoning application stage which will future proof the delivery of high amenity public open space and place controls around the height and form of new buildings at Central. Transport has initiatives already underway, including [Sydney Terminal Building Revitalisation project](#) and [EDDY](#) to provide the community with new and exciting spaces sooner.