



Artist's impression of the new entrance to Central Station from Chalmers Street

CENTRAL STATION

Work on new Chalmers Street entrance

Construction work on the new Chalmers Street entrance to Central Station is in progress, with demolition of the building at 20-28 Chalmers Street complete, and piling and excavation now underway.

A piling rig is installing 54 piles around the edge of the site to support ground and soil during excavation. Each pile is between eight and 22 metres deep, depending on the depth of the bedrock, and there will be more than 600 linear metres of piling when complete in January 2020.

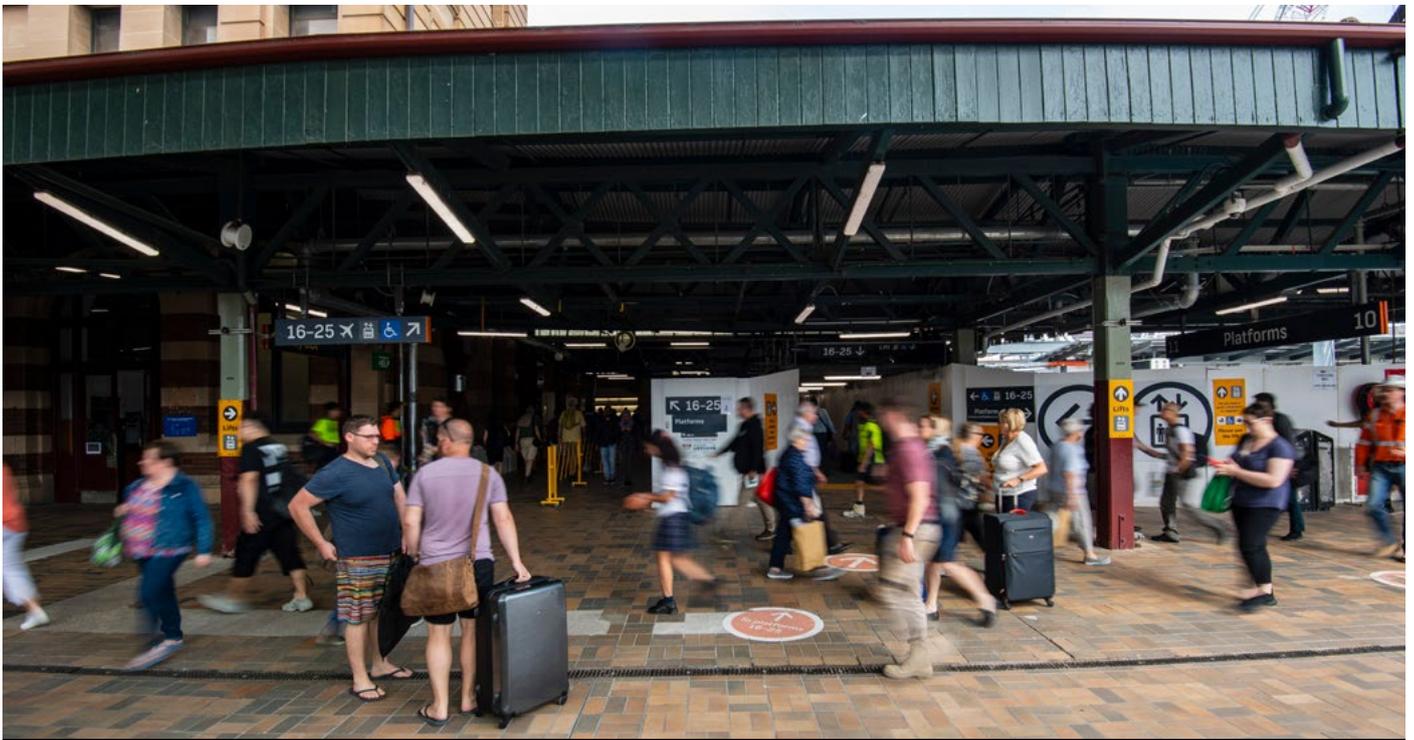
After piling is completed, excavation will proceed as deep as 16 metres underground to create the Central Walk pedestrian tunnel into the station.

Central Station Metro works are due to be complete in 2022. Central Walk and the new escalators from platforms 12 to 23 are due to be open in late 2022, with the new underground metro platforms to become operational once services begin in 2024.

Sydney Metro is Australia's biggest public transport project. Services started in May 2019 in the city's North West with a train every four minutes in the peak. Metro rail will be extended into the CBD and beyond to Bankstown in 2024. There will be new CBD metro railway stations at Martin Place, Pitt Street and Barangaroo and new metro platforms at Central.

In 2024, Sydney will have 31 metro railway stations and a 66 km standalone metro railway system – the biggest urban rail project in Australian history. There will be ultimate capacity for a metro train every two minutes in each direction under the Sydney city centre.

Laing O'Rourke is delivering the new Sydney Metro platforms under Central Station as well as the landmark Central Walk - a new underground pedestrian concourse to help customers get around Sydney's busiest railway station.



Changes to customer access to enable improvements to the Northern Concourse

New feature roof in the Northern Concourse

Pedestrian diversions within the Northern Concourse have taken place over the past few months as works progress to break out the floor slab, opening up this area of Central. The Lower Northern Concourse (near the Eddy Avenue entrance) will link with a new North-South Concourse, which will provide access to the underground metro platforms.

Works within the Northern Concourse and the adjacent Metro Box are safely undertaken 24/7 behind the hoardings, while ensuring 270,000 customers per day can continue to move through Central Station.

Upcoming activities in the Northern Concourse include the removal of the existing roof canopies, in preparation

for sections of the new feature roof structure to be lifted into place from mid-late 2020 and completed by the end of 2020.



Artist's impression of the new Northern Concourse, with feature canopy

Surry Hills community forum

In November, the team held a community forum in Surry Hills to meet local residents and businesses, and discuss construction progress of the new Central Walk. The forum was held at Haven Specialty Coffee (30-34 Chalmers Street), next door to the future eastern entrance at Central.

The project team talked with community members about the piling and excavation process underway and mitigation measures. If you'd like to attend future community forums, sign up to our mailing list by emailing centralstationmetro@transport.nsw.gov.au.



Community forum at Haven Specialty Coffee



LEGEND

- Stairs
- Platforms
- Tracks

Work zones

- Northern Concourse
- Metro platforms (underground - Former platforms 13, 14-15)
- Central Walk (underground)
- Chalmers Street entrance (20-28 Chalmers Street)

Three-month lookahead

Activity (subject to change)	January	February	March
1 Excavating within the metro site	●	●	●
2 Piling and excavating at 20-28 Chalmers Street	●	●	●
3 Installing hoarding on platforms 18-23 for Central Walk works	●	●	
4 Excavating and concreting within hoarded areas on platforms 16-23	●	●	●
5 Demolishing within the upper and lower Northern Concourse	●	●	●
6 Removing roof sections in the Northern Concourse	●	●	●
7 Temporary closure of the Southern Baggage Tunnel	●		
8 CSR (Combined Services Route) work - Lee Street Substation to Mortuary Station via Darling Harbour Goods Line	●	●	●
9 CSR work in the Railway Institute Driveway	●		



The new feature roof canopy in the Northern Concourse will be 16 metres high and 70 metres long.



Around 84,000 tonnes of concrete will be used for the Central Station Metro work - enough to fill 14 Olympic swimming pools.



Christmas gifts donated to WAGEC

WAGEC is a charitable organisation that delivers a range of crisis and early intervention accommodation and support services to women, children and young people, and families who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and/or domestic and family violence.

The Salvation Army's Foster House provides accommodation for around 126 homeless men each night, as well as medical services, case management, counselling and recreational activities.

In the lead up to Christmas, our team also donated presents such as books, toys, art supplies, school bags and gift vouchers to families being supported by WAGEC. At Foster House, the team installed 14 custom made privacy dividers for overnight visitors and undertook a volunteer painting day to refresh the common facilities.

Central Station Metro work in the local community

During 2019, the Central Station Metro team raised over \$60,000 for local and national charities.

The project team is committed to building strong and meaningful relationships in the local community where we're working and have supported local homeless shelters and schools, as well as national organisations including St Vincent CEO sleepout, Red R and Movember.

Our team works particularly closely with the Women's and Girls Emergency Centre (WAGEC) at Redfern and the Salvation Army's Foster House at Surry Hills, undertaking regular fundraising, volunteering time and resources for repairs and upgrades to facilities, and donating furniture, clothes and food items.



Privacy divider installation at Foster House

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