



Aerial view of the Blues Point site after the acoustic shed was removed.

# Henry Lawson Reserve design update

**December 2021**

**In October 2021, we shared the proposed design for the reinstated Henry Lawson Reserve.**

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback. We received over 100 comments, which have helped to shape the final design outlined in this fact sheet.

The final design aims to strike a balance between community feedback and requirements from North Sydney Council.

With shed removal and site backfill underway, Henry Lawson Reserve will be returned to the community in March 2022, with localised enhancements to be completed throughout 2022.

## Construction update

Over the past month you may have noticed some major changes at the Blues Point site.

Following completion of our tunnel fit out work between Victoria Cross and Barangaroo Stations in late September, our Linewide Works contractor Systems Connect has been busy commencing the process of site reinstatement.

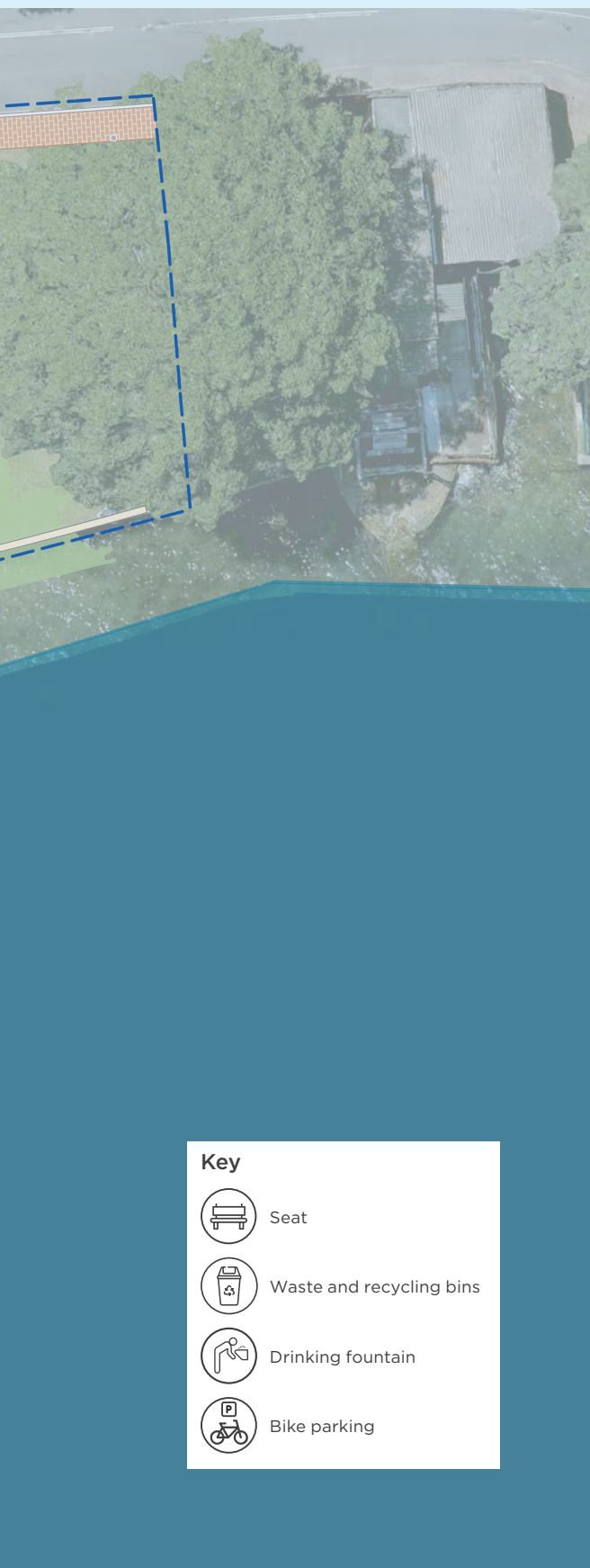
So far this work has included:

- Building the tunnel roof that runs underneath the site, to permanently seal off the tunnels
- Dismantling the acoustic shed
- Beginning the backfill of the shaft using 'flowable fill' - a self-compacting material similar to concrete.

Systems Connect will provide further updates as this work progresses.







The diagram on the left shows the final design of Henry Lawson Reserve.

Key enhancements that have been retained from the proposed design include the workers cottage heritage interpretation, the shared zone on Blues Point Road and the new park connection at the southern end.

### Design changes following community feedback

- Shared zone surface will be a mix of concrete pavement and stone paving
- No new trees will be planted on Henry Lawson Avenue
- Low level shrubs (instead of jacaranda trees) will be planted on Blues Point Road either side of the entry to the shared zone
- The end of Blues Point Road has been modified to create a clearer turning circle and discourage illegal parking in the area
- Two additional motorcycle parking spaces added in the shared zone. Spaces will all be signposted as rear to kerb
- An additional set of rubbish and recycling bins has been added
- A drinking fountain has been added.

Note: the inclusion of an indigenous heritage element is under consideration, pending further discussions with indigenous stakeholders.



## Thank you

Sydney Metro would like to take this opportunity to thank residents, reserve visitors and the wider Blues Point community. We sincerely value your patience and support over the years while the site was used as a Tunnel Boring Machine retrieval location and as an access point to fit out the under-harbour tunnels.

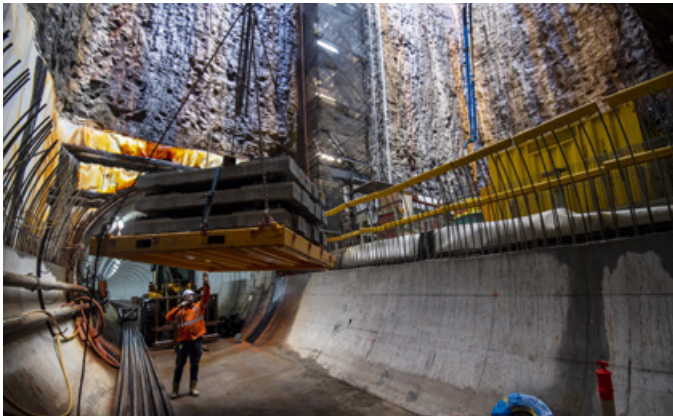
Thank you for the role you have played in helping deliver the city-shaping Sydney Metro City & Southwest project.



Heritage investigations during the initial excavation.



Community event for the Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) Mabel breakthrough.



Sleeper deliveries as part of tunnel fitout.



Completed section of track just north of the access shaft.

## Next steps



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