

Project update - Pyrmont West

20 March 2023

Sydney Metro is Australia's biggest public transport project.

The NSW Government is delivering Sydney Metro West – a new underground metro railway which will double rail capacity between Parramatta and the Sydney CBD, with a target travel time of about 20 minutes between the two centres.

Sydney Metro has been granted planning approval to construct twin underground rail tunnels between Westmead and Hunter Street in the Sydney CBD for Sydney Metro West. John Holland CPB Contractors Ghella Joint Venture (JCG) has been awarded the contract to deliver 3.5 kilometres of twin metro rail tunnels between The Bays and Hunter Street and excavate the Pyrmont and Hunter Street metro stations.

Pyrmont Station will be located between Pyrmont Bridge Road and Union Street and will feature two separate ground level entrances, designated as Pyrmont East and Pyrmont West.

Tree trimming and removal

To facilitate construction of the new Pyrmont Station, several trees need to be trimmed and removed around the Pyrmont West site. Work will take place on Pyrmont Bridge Road and in Pyrmont Street outside our Pyrmont West site for up to six shifts between **Monday 27 March and Friday 7 April 2023**.

This work will be carried out outside of our standard working hours **between 6pm and 5am Monday to Friday**, to ensure the safety of motorists and pedestrians.

A tree replacement strategy for Sydney Metro West is being developed that will consider appropriate tree species for each location ensuring a range of species to promote biodiversity that also create community amenity in public spaces.

Work is subject to change due to weather and site conditions and specific out of hour work dates will be provided in our weekly construction emails sent every Friday. Please email MetroTunnelsJCGJV@transport.nsw.gov.au to subscribe to receive these updates.

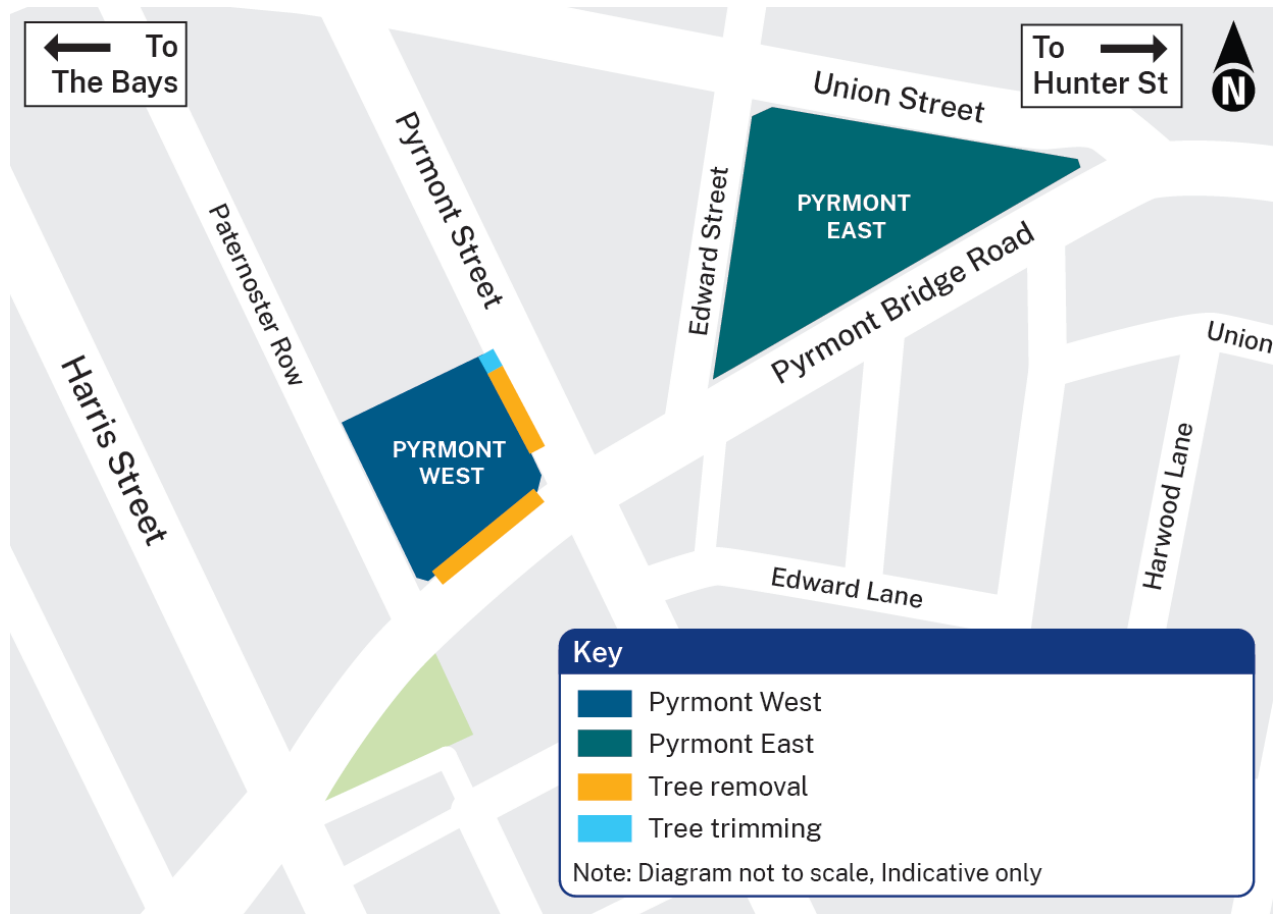
Work will include:

- Setting up temporary traffic lanes and footpath closures to ensure the safety of motorists and pedestrians during the work
- Installing temporary signage, fencing and environmental controls
- Removing overhead branches, trees and tree stumps
- Removal of the trees and branches in trucks

Approval to remove trees

The Environmental Impact Statement approved for the project identified that multiple trees needed to be removed to facilitate construction. An independent arborist has reviewed the impact on the surrounding trees. While significant effort has been made by the project to retain trees where possible including changing site layouts, methodology and equipment, the independent arborist has confirmed the need to remove and trim several trees around the site. It was determined that the ongoing health and stability of the trees would be impacted by their close proximity to future construction activities.

Site locations and work areas



Equipment used

Equipment used for works include but is not limited to; chain saws, elevated work platform, trucks, hand tools, lighting towers, excavators, light and heavy vehicles and traffic control vehicles and signage.

Changes to traffic, pedestrian, and cyclist routes

Traffic control will be in place to assist motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists with temporary changes to traffic conditions on Pyrmont Bridge Road and Pyrmont Street during tree trimming and clearing work. Property and driveway access will be maintained at all times.

Contact us

Please contact Shanice from the JCG community team on **1800 612 173** if you have any questions or would like to provide feedback about the work, including appropriate respite periods. We will continue to keep you updated as to the progress of work. If you would like to subscribe to receive weekly emails, please send a request to the email below.

Sydney Metro has launched Sydney Metro Connect – a new way to stay informed. You can download Sydney Metro Connect on the App Store or get it on Google Play.

Thank you for your understanding while we complete this essential work.

 **1800 612 173** Community information line open 24 hours

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