New Adelaide Aquatic Centre

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The South Australian Government is designing, building and operating a new Adelaide Aquatic Centre in the Adelaide City northern Park Lands at Pardipardinyilla/Denise Norton Park (Park 2).

Site establishment works are underway before early works begin. The new Adelaide Aquatic Centre will open the summer of 2025/26.

Who will be doing the construction?

Sarah Constructions, a local and very experienced construction contractor, has been appointed to build the new aquatic centre.

What is the construction program?

Here is a high level program outlining the key construction stages:

November 2023 - Mid 2024

- Site establishment and underground services works.
- Substructure works including piling, excavation for the pools and foundations to support the building structure.

Mid 2024 – Late 2025

- Construction of the new building including above ground-level timber and steel structure, building fit out and construction of pools, water slides and aquatic play areas.
- Demolition of the existing aquatic centre (start August 2024, complete early 2025).
- Return the existing site to Park Lands, new recreational oval and landscaping.

Early 2025 - Late 2025

- Complete the carpark and landscaping to the new centre.
- Complete landscaping the existing site to return to Park Lands.

Summer 2025/2026

• Construction complete and new centre open.

What are the hours of work?

Construction work will occur between 7am and 7pm, Monday to Saturday.

How will noise, vibration and light be managed?

A range of measures will be used to mitigate noise and vibration impacts for the community including:

- providing advance notice of works to nearby residents.
- scheduling intrusive works during the construction working hours.
- monitoring noise levels as and when required to remain within Environment Protection Authority (EPA) guidelines.
- enclosing stationary equipment (when practicable) to reduce noise and use low frequency noise equipment.
- regularly testing and maintaining equipment to ensure it is operating at a high standard.
- using small or non-vibratory equipment where possible.
- vibration levels may be measured at key stages throughout the project as required to ensure compliance levels that are set by the EPA are adhered to.
- Discrete security lighting required to provide a safe environment will be shielded and directed away from residential properties.

How will dust be managed?

Dust impacts will be minimised by:

- site hoarding.
- watering work areas and stockpiles to dampen any dust, particularly during hot and windy weather.
- covering transported materials.
- installing grids and rubble at main site entry/exit points to help reduce excess material on tyres.
- using street sweepers.
- implementing speed restrictions on unsealed paths.



Water carts will be used to mitigate dust.

How will you manage parking and traffic on Barton Terrace West and Jeffcott Street?

While the dedicated construction vehicle access is being constructed, all vehicles will access the construction compound via the existing service road through Park 2.

A dedicated construction vehicle entry/exit pathway will be created off Jeffcott Road for construction vehicles. There will be no construction vehicle access from Barton West Terrace or the Adelaide Aquatic Centre carpark to the construction site.

Car parking will be managed to ensure that there is minimal impact and disturbance to residents and businesses.

What parts of Park 2 can still be used during construction?

All sections of Park 2 outside the construction hoarding can be used by the public.

The Bush Magic playground is not impacted by the project and will remain open.

What changes are there to pedestrian and cycling access in Park 2?

To ensure the safe separation of the public and construction vehicles the pedestrian and bicycle pathways along Jeffcott Road have been impacted by the construction site.

New pedestrian and cycle pathways will be created to link to the existing pathways on the eastern section of the Park Lands which will remain open throughout the project. The existing pathway running north-south to the east of the existing aquatic centre will remain open for the duration of the project to maintain the link between Fitzroy Terrace and Barton Terrace West.

Access to Bus Stop 7 via the existing pathway will remain open throughout the duration of the project.

For more information

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