Cape Jervis Update

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Port upgrade and draft Master Plan

Kangaroo Island (KI) and the Fleurieu Peninsula are key destinations for visitors and tourism. They also include important freight and transport routes for South Australian produce (dairy, livestock, and wine) and tourism.

To support economic growth in these regions, and deliver improved essential transport services, we are undertaking a number of key infrastructure upgrades and planning activities across the Cape Jervis area and on KI. The infrastructure upgrade projects will deliver key safety and efficiency improvements to the ports at both Cape Jervis and Penneshaw.

We are upgrading the Penneshaw and Cape Jervis ports, increasing the facilities lifespan, and supporting continued ferry services between KI and the mainland. This project is funded by the South Australian Government.

Effective, safe, and reliable port infrastructure at Cape Jervis and Penneshaw is critical to Kangaroo Island's economic success. The berthing and mooring structures at Cape Jervis and Penneshaw ports form part of the essential infrastructure linking KI and the mainland for cars, freight, and passengers and will be upgraded as part of the project.

The upgraded infrastructure will accommodate the new, larger ferries that will be coming into service in 2025. This project to upgrade the two ports is expected to support approximately 135 full-time equivalent jobs over the construction period.

This community update provides an overview of the key DIT infrastructure upgrades and planning activities at the **Cape Jervis port and harbour precinct**. More information about the Penneshaw port upgrade and the draft master plan will be shared in the coming months.



Cape Jervis port upgrade

Major construction will start in March 2024, beginning with construction of a temporary crane pad and haul road and permanent structural foundations behind the SeaLink terminal. Works will be undertaken during the day between 7am and 7pm with advance notice provided of any nights works as required. Access to the Heysen Trail will be maintained at all times.

Site establishment activities are continuing including site set up, temporary fencing installation, structural assessments and surveys.

There will be some temporary changes to the passenger ramps for boarding and exiting ferries with signage in place and staff onsite to direct passengers if required. There will be no change for passengers who require assisted access. Access to the passenger terminal will be maintained.

As mentioned in the recent project update, parking access will be restricted in some areas where site establishment is occurring and will remain restricted until works are completed in early 2025. This includes behind the lighthouse. A turnaround area for heavy vehicles, and dedicated short term heavy vehicle parking, will continue to be provided.

Construction vehicle movements and site activities will continue to increase. To keep everyone safe, please take care when moving around the carparks, follow the directions of on-site workers and signage.



The upgraded Cape Jervis harbour, featuring a new vessel passenger access walkway and upgraded port infrastructure.

Cape Jervis jetty removal

As previously advised, to safely upgrade and operate the new port facility at Cape Jervis, unfortunately the existing public jetty at Cape Jervis cannot be retained. We appreciate some people are disappointed by this outcome. The jetty must be demolished to accommodate the new berthing infrastructure that is required to facilitate the new ferry operations at the port and to improve navigational safety.

The jetty will close from 6am, Tuesday 2 April 2024, straight after Easter. Works to remove the jetty will then start.

We have kept the jetty open as long as we can however the closure is now required to ensure we do not delay the completion of this critical upgrade and commissioning of the new ferries. As committed, we have been exploring alternative recreational fishing options as part of the master planning process for the Cape Jervis harbour precinct. The draft Master Plan for the area, that includes an alternative location for recreational fishing at the southern breakwater, is now available for feedback. Please read over the page for more information.

Draft Cape Jervis Harbour Precinct Master Plan

We have created a draft Cape Jervis Harbour Precinct Master Plan (Master Plan) for community feedback.

Master plans are dynamic short and long-term plans that identify social, environmental, cultural and economic issues and opportunities. They aim to set a clear strategic and coordinated framework for assessment of potential future developments within the precinct and inform future funding considerations for all levels of Government. There is currently no funding committed to deliver this Master Plan.

We understand it is important for the Master Plan to be right for Cape Jervis, reflecting what is most important to the community and the region, whilst accommodating the diverse range of precinct users.

Stakeholder engagement and local community insights, along with extensive research and technical analysis, have informed the draft Master Plan. This includes the incorporation of key recommendations from the recently completed Cape Jervis traffic study.



Draft Master Plan option for feedback – the proposed Master Plan creates a better precinct for all users, capable of being delivered over multiple stages.

Have your say on the draft Master Plan

Community and stakeholder feedback has been an integral part of the Master Plan development process. Thank you to everyone who has shared their thoughts so far.

Prior to finalising this plan, we are now seeking your feedback on this draft Master Plan. Please scan the QR code to view the draft plan and complete a short online survey to give your feedback.

If you would prefer to provide feedback in person, see over the page for information about upcoming community information sessions.

Feedback is open until Sunday 21, April 2024.



Meet the project teams at the Cape Jervis Community Club

Come along to a drop-in community information session at the *Cape Jervis Community Club* (in the car park) to meet the project teams, learn more and ask any questions about the Cape Jervis Port Upgrade and draft Cape Jervis Harbour Precinct Master Plan.

- Friday 15 March 2024 drop in anytime between 5pm and 7pm
- Saturday 16 March 2024 drop in anytime between 11am and 1pm



More Information

To speak to our team or to register to receive project updates, please:

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