

9<sup>th</sup> June 2010

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT ON HARBOUR ESPLANADE RE-DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

The first stage of works by Vic Urban to transform Docklands' Harbour Esplanade into a new harbourside destination has recently commenced in June 2010, and although the street frontage may look different, its business as usual at Central Pier.

The redevelopment will be delivered in stages, with the first stage due for completion in January 2011.

The first stage of works, between, Bourke Street and Docklands Drive, will see the creation of a tree-lined boulevard, dedicated bike and pedestrian paths, and the realignment of tram tracks into the centre of the roadway, to provide additional parkland and recreational space.

During this time you are likely to see a number of changes along Harbour Esplanade including the replacement of trees, the realignment of the tram lines, roadworks, and the creation of dedicated bike and pedestrian paths.

**What does this mean to you?**

One traffic lane in both directions along Harbour Esplanade will be maintained for the majority of the first stage of works, with cyclone fencing erected along both sides. This means you may need to allow some extra time when travelling to and from Central Pier, particularly in peak hours.

Vic Urban have also advised there will be a need to close Harbour Esplanade to general traffic between Docklands Drive and La Trobe Street for two days ( 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> August 2010 ) and Bourke and La Trobe Streets for five days ( 30<sup>th</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> September ) for the construction of the new tram track connections.

At all times, access to Central Pier will be maintained for our guests and patrons.

Detailed detour routes are listed and can be downloaded from our website [www.atlanticgroupv.com.au](http://www.atlanticgroupv.com.au) when road closures are in place and our Client Relationship Managers or Event Logistics Team would be more than happy to answer any specific questions you may have.

Rest assured we are liaising closely and daily with Vic Urban to ensure minimal disruption to you and your guests.

## Overview of Harbour Esplanade redevelopment project

The Harbour Esplanade redevelopment will ultimately see this key area of public space transformed into a major waterfront destination, creating a unique harbour frontpark for Melbourne and completing the city's inner ring of parks. The new green spine will also better connect the precincts within Docklands. The first stage of works, between Bourke Street and Docklands Drive, will see the creation of a tree-lined boulevard, dedicated bike and pedestrian paths, and the realignment of tram tracks into the roadway to allow for the additional park and open space to be created in later stages. The redevelopment will be delivered in stages.

### What does Stage 1 involve?

The first works people are likely to see will be the removal of existing trees, enabling relocation of the tram tracks to follow. These trees will be later replaced with a boulevard of around 230 *Araucaria heterophylla* (Norfolk Island Pines) that form part of many Australian waterfront settings. The tram tracks will be located in the road reserve, similar to most tram tracks in Melbourne. When these works are completed, the Norfolk Island Pines will be planted.

Stage 1 will also see new tram super stops built outside the Bendigo Bank and Digital Harbour's Life Lab buildings, allowing commuters to board trams with ease. These stops will replace those currently outside the NAB Building and Central Pier. Stage 1 will take around 12 months to complete.

It is understood from information provided to us by Vic Urban that:

- The works and road closures will take place from 31 st May 2010 to 30th October 2010.
- The straight track between Bourke Street and La Trobe Street is scheduled to commence 31 May 2010 and will take approximately 5 weeks and be completed by middle of July. A slow lane will be provided with pedestrian access at regular intervals along this section of Harbour Esplanade.
- The straight track between Dudley Street to La Trobe Street is scheduled to commence middle of July and will take approximately 3-4 weeks, until the beginning of August.
- The Intersection of Dudley Street/ Footscray Road is scheduled to be closed on the weekend 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> August 2010 to enable connection of existing tracks to new tracks.
- Intersection of La Trobe Street / Harbour Esplanade is scheduled to be closed between 30th August and 3rd September 2010 to enable connection of existing tracks to new tracks.

Shown in the table below are details of the partial/full closure for each road and their respective detour routes are listed when road closures are in place and following are maps to clearly demonstrate best access to Central Pier. ( 30<sup>th</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2010 )

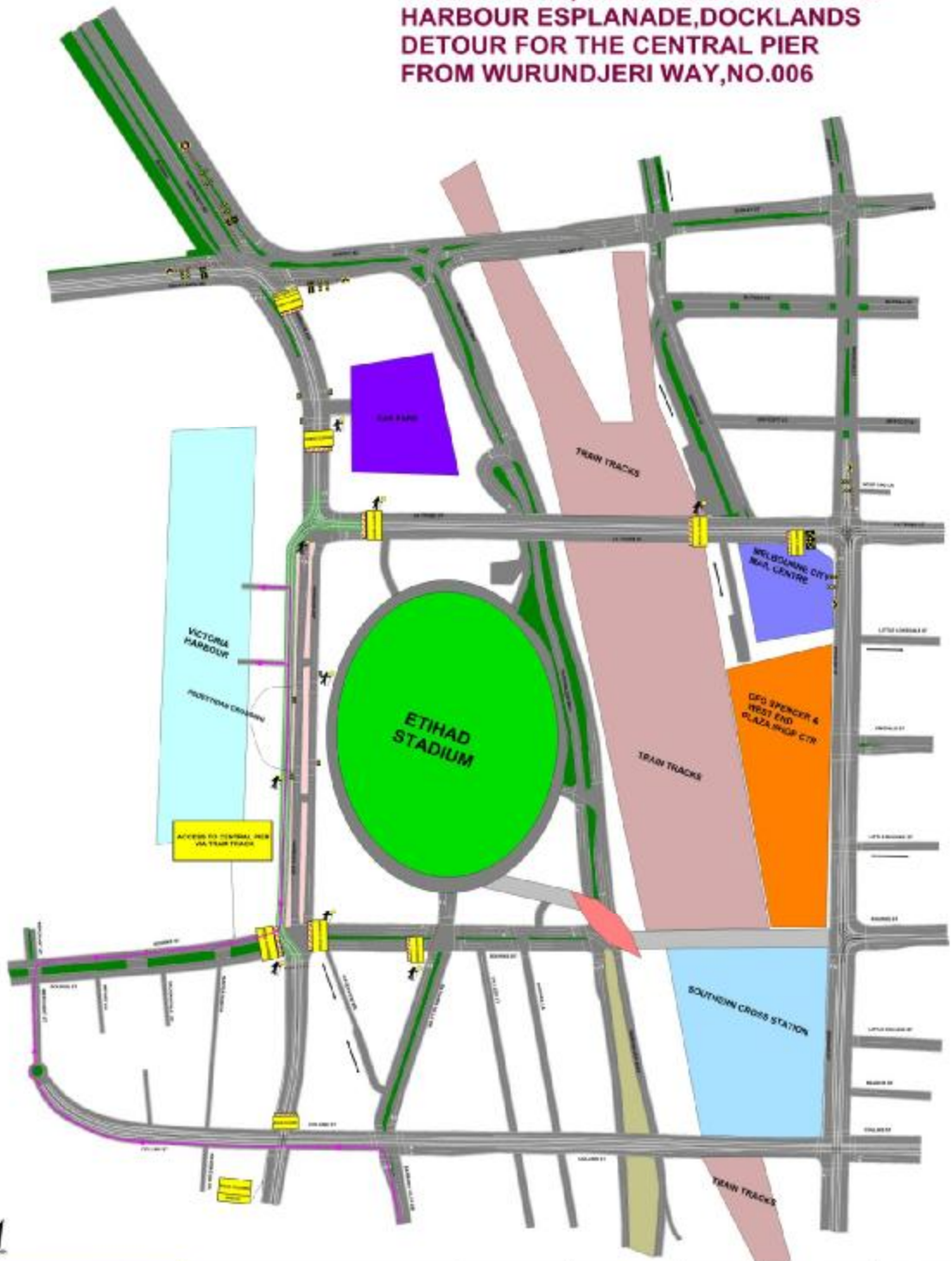
Harbour Esplanade	<p>Southbound traffic wanting to access Harbour Esplanade will be diverted east into Dudley Street and then south into Wurundjeri Way, traffic will then be diverted west into Bourke Street and then south down Batman Hill and west into Collins Street to access the Collins and Bourke west business sector.</p> <p>Northbound traffic wanting to access to Harbour Esplanade will be diverted east into Collins Street and north into Spencer Street and west into Dudley Street to access the western suburbs. Other traffic wanting to access the western Docklands business district will be diverted west into Collin Street and into the local roads.</p>
La Trobe Street	<p>Traffic heading west along La Trobe Street will be diverted north at Spencer Street and then west into Dudley Street coming to the northern end of Docklands.</p>
Bourke Street /Wurundjeri Way	<p>Traffic wanting to access the Docklands precinct via Bourke Street from Wurundjeri Way will be diverted north along Wurundjeri Way to Dudley Street and then west along Dudley Street to the northern end of Docklands.</p> <p>Traffic wanting to access the southern end of Docklands will be diverted south into Batman Hill and then west into Collins Street to access the southern business precinct.</p>







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