

Beachport Jetty Upgrade Project



The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is undertaking works on the Beachport Jetty. These essential works will ensure the long-term structural integrity of the jetty for all users. Works on the heritage listed jetty are funded by the South Australian Government.

Works Update

Works are continuing on the jetty with over 350 of the 452 sets of cross bracing now replaced on the underside of the jetty.

Since September 2022, over 840 decking planks and supporting structural timber beams have been replaced along the jetty. As part of the upgrade 42 bents have been completely rebuilt, with a further 21 to be replaced over the project. A 'bent' is the structural frame on which the jetty is built. Rebuilding these bents will ensure the long-term structural integrity of the jetty.

Works on the Beachport Jetty are expected to be completed in September 2023, weather permitting.

Timber Donation

As we replace the jetty timber decking, we are donating timbers, which are not suitable for reuse on the jetty, to the Beachport Rivoli Bay Lions Club. So far 30 cubic metres of timber has been gifted to the Club to be repurposed for use in the local community.

Upcoming Construction Milestones



May 2023

Completion of all piling works



May 2023

Completion of jetty berthing and refuelling platform



May 2023

Reconstruction of lower landings one and two



June 2023

Completion of main jetty rebuild



July 2023

Rebuild of slipway



August 2023

Completion of main Jetty kerbing and handrail



September 2023

Project Completion

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The project team is continuing to preserve Beachport's history by donating several historical artifacts from the jetty to the local Old Wool and Grain Store Museum.

The artifacts include sample portions of timber, cross bracing and cross bracing clamps from the original bridge structure.

Recently the project team donated a corbel (a structural supporting piece of wood similar to a bracket) retrieved from the Jetty and to be displayed in the museum documenting the rich history of Beachport. The corbel was inscribed by a crew member of the ship, The Exeter, in March 1918,



Corbel retrieved from the Beachport Jetty and donated to the local Old Wool and Grain Store Museum



Inscription on the corbel by a crew member of the Exeter ship from 1918

Community Engagement

The Department has been working closely with the community, the fishing industry and Council to accommodate and minimise impacts as much as possible during this important project. Throughout the works the project team has worked with boat owners and local businesses to ensure the jetty is accessible to load fishing gear and cray pots, and for special events such as the annual Blessing of the Fleet to celebrate the beginning of the 2022-2023 season. This engagement will continue to feature as a key part of the project.

The Department would like to thank the community for their ongoing support of the project and the project team in Beachport. These essential works will ensure the long-term structural integrity of the jetty for all users. Works on the heritage listed jetty are scheduled for completion in September 2023, weather permitting.

Further Information

For more detail on the project or to subscribe for updates, please visit call 1300 794 880, email DIT.Engagement@sa.gov.au or visit www.dit.sa.gov.au/beachportjetty



Timber framework refurbishment works at Beachport Jetty.

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