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## PROJECT UPDATE



# Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront



Danny Griffin Board Chair SWDC, Jessica & Brendan Franklin Wilgee Civil & Zoe Langridge Local Content Advisor SWDC gather to announce the awarding of the contract for dune fencing on Casuarina Drive.

## TBW Stage 2B Casuarina Drive Redevelopment

Works are continuing on the retaining walls on Casuarina Drive, carried out by local contractor Leeuwin Civil and project managed by Development WA.

The contractors are working their way through 300m of retaining walls comprising approx. 15,000 limestone blocks, which should be completed in the coming month.

The construction area continues to be fenced off with a staged approach to ensure public safety and we ask the public to please take note of signage and other safety measures in place in the affected areas. Road users in the area should use caution as large vehicles will be delivering blocks to the area and access to the northern end of Casuarina Harbour Beach may be restricted at times.

We were delighted to announce this month the awarding of a \$250,000 contract for dune fencing to Wilgee Civil, an Aboriginal-owned business located in Davenport. The company is founded and led by Jessica Franklin, whose background in mining and civil construction is complemented by her connection to her Aboriginal heritage. Wilgee have recently completed work on the Bunbury Outer Ring Road and for the Shire of Boyup Brook.

The fencing will protect the upcoming dune revegetation plantings and minimise sand drift plus people crossing.

The final section of works in the area will deliver a host of new features including the planting of trees and shrubs; paths and stairs to the beach; showers and a toilet block; shade shelters; seating; and public artwork installation.

Andrew Frazer Designs' (in collaboration with Jake Coghlan & Peter Jago) artwork is well underway for the sculptural work that will book-end Jetty Baths Park.

These artworks will encourage people to venture between each end of the precinct and will pay tribute to the ancient basalt landscape while also taking inspiration from Bunbury's iconic lighthouse & its unique history.

We thank everyone for their patience as these works are completed.

*The Casuarina Drive Redevelopment is a project managed by DevelopmentWA.*

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## Work starts on new breakwater



*Megan Willis Senior Engineer & Superintendent's Representative briefing Regional Development Minister Don Punch and Premier Roger Cook on the plans for the Northern Breakwater.*

The dredging campaign is continuing in Casuarina Boat Harbour (CBH) to prepare the foundation footprint and clear the entrance channel to the reconfigured harbour. So far approx 10 tonnes of waste has been removed from the seabed - including bricks, cables, tyres, ropes, fishing gear, wood and much more.

Ongoing dredging operations require skippers to exercise caution. Please adhere to the safety guidelines provided by the Department of Transport and remain vigilant of the extended tow line when the tug *Edi* is towing the split hopper barge *PM Skippy* to offshore locations. Construction of the new 460-metre-long northern breakwater at CBH will commence this month with the placement of the initial rock to form the massive structure. The breakwater is expected to take more than a year to complete

Having now entered the construction phase for the breakwater, truck movements to and from the harbour will increase as more than 360,000 tonnes of rock is transported to site from quarries at Roelands, Byford and Jarrahdale. To limit disruption and ensure safety work on site has been restricted to weekdays between 7am and 6pm and a 40-kilometre speed limit has been adopted by the contractor for their trucks as they travel along Casuarina Drive near Jetty Baths.

The project will deliver critical new infrastructure that will underpin the rejuvenation of the harbour as a regional marine hub and will now feature a new \$4 million universal access fishing platform to be built following the completion of the breakwater construction.

The design of the platform is still being completed but it is anticipated it will be positioned part way along the breakwater on the northern side as part of a precinct, including accessible changerooms and toilets. Once complete, there will be vehicle and bus access to the fishing platform and pedestrian access to the full length of the breakwater.

The works program will deliver many long-term benefits for users and the wider community and while every effort is being made to limit the disruption, we ask people for their understanding while the vision for the harbour is made a reality.

Harbour manager and delivery agency, the Department of Transport (DoT), is working closely with lead agency the South West Development Commission to build the new breakwater and deliver the largest coastal infrastructure contract (\$69.2 million) ever awarded by DoT in WA.



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## People's Choice Award Winner



Congratulations to Sarah Jane on winning the *Enjoying Our Waterfront* photo competition *People's Choice Award*.

All 783 votes were counted, and the winner was Sarah Jane for her submission 'Jetty Road' which features four furry friends, Harry, Braxton, Beckett, and Lacey, enjoying a little rest on their evening walk on Jetty Road.

Thank you to all the talented photographers, Museum visitors, and voters for participating in this fantastic exhibition and of course a big thank you to the Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre.



## COMMUNITY DROP-IN INFORMATION SESSION

Wed 23 October  
10am – 7pm



Jetty Road Causeway  
Multi-Purpose Building,  
Bunbury



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The South West Development Commission, together with our project partner the Department of Transport invite you to drop in and meet the project team.

We will be there to discuss project updates, forthcoming works and timelines, gain your feedback on concepts for future stages and answer your questions.

# Bunbury waterfront development stages



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## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

### Stage One - Complete

- 1 Koombana Foreshore Revitalisation
- 2 Dolphin Discovery Centre Redevelopment

### Stage Two - Under Transformation

- 3 Jetty Road Causeway Upgrade - complete
- 4 Casuarina Drive Redevelopment

### Stage Three - Phase 1 - Planning in Progress

- 5 Construction of new breakwaters, delivery of key marine infrastructure and marine servicing facilities, as well as upgrading existing boat launching facilities

### Additional Notes

- 6 Proposed multi-club facility funded through private investment

**Disclaimer:** The imagery and details in Stage 2B (4) and all of Stage 3 are concepts only and may change as the project develops. Project subject to operational changes as the project develops. Multi-club marine facility will be funded through private investment.



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