



Schedule D - City Hall restoration work - Phase Three - Southern Façade

As one of our city's most iconic heritage buildings, Newcastle City Hall speaks volumes of our proud past and who we are as a city. Opened in 1929, it is one of Newcastle's most prestigious buildings and the heart of historic Civic Precinct.

Newcastle City Council has been undergoing much needed conservation work on the historic structure, with specific concentration on the clock tower. A significant part of this restoration project has been completed and in April 2018 we will see the main front entrance re open. From mid-march 2018, the western and northern sides of the building will be focused on and vital stone removal and replacement and window refurbishment will take place.

Please see the below Frequently Asked Questions:

What work will be done?

The work is specific to the building façade. Sandstone is being replaced where it has corroded on the building and windows refurbished. Site compounds are in place on Wheeler Place (eastern corner of the building) and appropriate scaffolding is being utilised for contractors to access the building.

How long will the work take?

Expected completion date is mid to late 2019.

When will the works take place?

Building works will take place Monday to Friday 8am - 5pm and Saturdays (8am - 1pm). No building works will be undertaken in the evenings, Sundays and Public Holidays.

What does the building currently look like?

The front façade, facing King Street, has an aesthetically pleasing image of the building covering most of the scaffold currently with the main entrance closed. This front entrance is scheduled to re-open from April 2018 with the driveway to remain closed but open soon after. From mid-march 2018 scaffolding will be moved to the western and northern sides of the building.

The site compound is located in Wheeler Place but is hidden from the street by 1.8m plywood branded fencing. See below current images:



Will there be access issues into the building?

For the majority of the work, all entrances into the building will be open. The restoration includes the driveway, balcony and front stairs. The front entrance is currently closed but is expected to open in April 2018. Alternative entrances at the east and west are currently available and enhanced to offset any impact.

Will I see scaffolding from the windows in the room I have booked?

Window furnishings will be used to cover any view of scaffolding if applicable.

Will there still be natural light in the room?

Varies pending on which room and date your event has been booked. Please contact your event coordinator to discuss these details.

Will parking spaces at the front of the building be affected?

No. On street parking remains the same.

Will there be any work done to the interior of the building?

There will be some minor enhancements to the interior of the building. This work will be timed around existing bookings to ensure minimal impact to clients.