

# Bays Port Community Newsletter

June 2025

Welcome to the winter edition of the Bays Port Community Newsletter.

## Shore Power Update

The Shore Power project will enable cruise ships to switch from diesel engines to shoreside electricity, offset by renewable energy generation, at the White Bay Cruise Terminal. With an investment of approximately \$60 million, this project set for completion by the end of 2026, will make it the first terminal in the Southern Hemisphere to offer shore power.

## Demolition Works Complete

The demolition of the White Bay 5 Administration and Canteen buildings is now complete. This cleared space will soon host cutting-edge electrical equipment and infrastructure for the shore power project.

## Environmental Impacts

Shore Power will use seawater to help keep the electrical equipment cool. This means it doesn't need traditional air conditioning, resulting in lower electricity use and quieter operation. As detailed design has progressed, further assessment of the seawater cooling system was undertaken in an Addendum Review of Environmental Factors (AREF). Fieldwork studies have been completed on water quality, marine

ecology and hydrodynamic modelling for the seawater cooling system.

## Construction

Construction work is set to commence shortly on the civil works for the shore power infrastructure. This phase involves the construction of trenches, pits, and conduits to house the shore power infrastructure.

Temporary traffic and pedestrian management measures will be put in place where necessary. Community notifications will be letterbox dropped to residents and businesses that may be impacted by the works.

## Equipment Testing

Powercon has been working on the design and fabrication of the shore power equipment. All critical long lead items such as switchgears, transformer and mobile shore power outlets have passed their factory testing. Other key shore power components will be assembled and tested in the coming months prior to delivery to Sydney.

Scan the QR code or visit [portauthoritynsw.com.au](http://portauthoritynsw.com.au) to discover more about the Shore Power project.



## Shore Power Project Milestones



**March - April 2025**

Demolition of administration and canteen buildings complete. Environmental fieldwork studies undertaken.



**June 2025**

Site investigation works for construction of electrical distribution network underway.



**August 2025**

Delivery of energy chain system tracks and trench equipment expected.



## White Bay Carpark

Port Authority proposes to build a car park at White Bay to accommodate cruise passengers, event attendees, and other port uses. The car park will have three levels, providing at least 510 spaces. It will be built on the existing carpark area and be designed with sustainability in mind, following NSW Government guidelines. We invite the community to provide input on key design features prior to the plans being placed on public exhibition. For more information and to share your ideas, please use the QR code below.

## Air Quality Monitoring

Port Authority recognises that some residents living near the working port have raised concerns about air emissions from ships berthed at Glebe Island and White Bay. Recently a new air quality monitor was installed at Glebe Island. Once we receive approval from the Inner West Council, we intend to upgrade a second air quality monitor located near the corner of Adolphus Street and Grafton Street in Balmain. Air quality reports will be available on the Port Authority website.



## Nike After Dark Tour

Did you know the Nike After Dark Tour made its Sydney debut on April 12, 2025, spotlighting a vibrant celebration of women's running. The 21.1 km course commenced in Rozelle Parklands, traversing iconic landmarks including White Bay Cruise Terminal and Glebe Island, before concluding at Tumbalong Park in Darling Harbour. Port Authority was proud to be part of the event which attracted over 7,500 participants, offering a dynamic blend of athleticism and community spirit.

## Stay Connected

For more information on White Bay Carpark visit [portauthoritynsw.com.au](http://portauthoritynsw.com.au) or scan the QR code. Complete an online survey and let us know your feedback.



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