

# Macquarie Pier Rehabilitation Project Community Notice

February 2026

**Port Authority of NSW is restoring damaged sections of the Macquarie Pier Seawall to stabilise these critical harbour structures.**

Macquarie Pier begun in the early 19th century, with its foundation stone laid by Governor Lachlan Macquarie on 5 August 1818. It was constructed as both a breakwater and a causeway linking the mainland to what was then Nobbys Island, improving safety for ships entering Newcastle Harbour. This major engineering project played a key role in the development of Newcastle as a commercial port.

## Work schedule

Works are expected to start week commencing 2 March 2026 and be completed by May 2026, weather permitting.

## What work are we doing?

- Works are taking place at 4 locations along the seawall.
- Removing loose and damaged stone and concrete from the seawall.
- Stabilising and filling voids within the seawall.
- Reinstating the seawall structure to match adjacent sections.

## Construction hours

Work will take place during standard hours:

- Monday to Friday: 7:00am – 6:00pm
- Saturday (if required): 8:00am – 1:00pm
- No work on public holidays

## What to Expect

- A temporary contractor compound will be established for the secure storage of equipment and material.
- Scaffold access will be installed over parts of the breakwater and construction equipment will be operating along the pier under a traffic management plan and traffic control procedures.
- Pedestrian and cycle access along Macquarie Pier will be maintained throughout the works. Vehicle access will be limited and should be arranged with Port Authority.

## Stay Connected

If you have an enquiry or complaint during these works, please call our 24/7 call centre.

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