

## Circular to Shareholders & Clerks: City of Sydney work in Phillip Street

**April 11 2019**

CCL have been informed of upcoming work in Phillip Street that will be carried out on behalf of the City of Sydney. The scheduled works consist of;

- a) the replacement of the street lights; and
- b) improvements to the footpath, including the installation of new paving stones immediately in front of Wentworth & Selborne Chambers.

These works are part of a city wide upgrade of services and have not been commissioned or requested by CCL in any way.

The installation of the new street light in Phillip Street has been confirmed by the Council and CCL has held discussions with the Contractor engaged to carry out the work. Based on those discussions, CCL can inform Members of the following:

- The work to install the new street light is scheduled to commence on Saturday 13 April 2019, with the installation of a new street light in Phillip Street.
- The Contractor appointed by the Council expects at least one follow up visit will be required for the connection and commissioning of the street light on Thursday 18 April 2019.
- CCL has been informed that the work is not expected to be excessively disruptive, however experience with the installation of street lights that took place across the road last year suggests otherwise and Members with Chambers on the Phillip Street façade should expect noise and disruption on Saturday 13 April.
- The installation will involve the use of a small crane, or a crane attached to a truck, which will be positioned immediately in front of Wentworth & Selborne Chambers.
- The Contractor appointed by the Council suggests that preliminary work required in order to install the new street light has taken place, however if the preparation work has not taken place, delays or deferment will be likely.
- CCL have not been able to identify signs, or confirm in any way, that the preparation work has actually taken place yet.

There has been no official correspondence with respect to improvements to the footpath, however CCL has obtained information unofficially from the Contractor responsible for that portion of the work and can inform Members of the following:

- The schedule for this work is tentative at best, as no instructions or orders from the Council have been received by the Contractor to date.
- Commencement of the improvements to the footpath are dependent on the successful installation of the street light.
- Notwithstanding that, it is anticipated that the work will commence in early May 2019, and it is scheduled to continue for 6 to 8 weeks, with the footpath being lifted and replaced with stone in small, consecutive portions.
- This work is the continuation of that which took place in front of the Law Society building around September and October last year.
- This work is expected to have a heavy and continuous impact on Members, as it is noisy, dusty and disruptive. Members with Chambers on Phillip Street are advised to prepare themselves for noisy and disruptive work during this time.

CCL are attempting to negotiate alternate working hours in Phillip Street to minimise impact on Shareholders, however the Council have not yet responded to CCL's requests to schedule the work outside of business hours.

Members and Clerks will be provided updates as further information becomes available and you are welcome to contact the Council directly if you would like to either make a complaint or make further enquiries regarding this matter.

Kind regards,

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