DENNYS PLACE

28 Malop street update

This project is being delivered as part of the $382 million Geelong City Deal, a collaborative plan to transform Geelong and the Great Ocean Road by the Australian and Victorian Governments, and the City of Greater Geelong through the Revitalising Central Geelong Action Plan.

Project update – 10 February 2022

**The internal demolition of 28 Malop Street has now commenced. This is the first stage of construction works in the Dennys Place Laneway breakthrough project to create a new connection between Malop Street and Little Malop street’s restaurant, bar and retail precinct.**

The walkability of central Geelong is set to improve with works now beginning in an important mid-block breakthrough project to extend Dennys Place laneway.

The new Dennys Place laneway will create a direct link from Malop Street to Geelong’s exciting Little Malop Street restaurant, bar and retail precinct, dramatically improving pedestrian flow through central Geelong and bringing new life to the city. The Dennys Place connection is seen as critical and offers good line of sight connectivity between Clare and Little Malop streets, while also creating a connection from the waterfront to the medical precinct at an intimate scale that encourages pedestrian movement.

Construction on the Dennys Place Laneway Project has now commenced, with the project estimated to be completed in October 2022.

Upcoming works

**Period starting 10 February ­­2022**



28 Malop street

Internal demolition works recommenced 27 January 2022.  
  
Civil works & pressure washing to internal walls to continue, along with work to the stormwater to commence in the coming week (no impact to Malop Street).  
Expect 1-2 trucks to enter and leave the site daily, with facilitated movement through the lane during these times  
  
Archaeologist onsite for observations, as well as to perform further investigation of uncovered locations during demolition.

dennys place laneway

No further works or impact to Dennys Place Laneway within the next fortnight.

Timeline



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What to expect

**CONSTRUCTION HOURS**

**Weekdays** 7am to 5pm, and

**Saturdays** 8.30am to 3.30pm

NOISE AND DUST

Standard construction machinery will be in use – Expect noise and vibrations from internal demolition works during construction hours

Laneway Access

Dennys Place remains open with escorted management of construction vehicles.

All buildings access remains accessible

PEDESTRIAN Access- MALOP STREET

No change to pedestrian access

**Traffic cONDITIONS**

**MALOP ST**

**No change** to traffic conditions

**DENNYS PLACE LANEWAY**

Dennys Place laneway public traffic will be escorted to allow for waste removal from the 28 Malop St demolition site

Expect 1-2 trucks to enter and leave the site daily, with facilitated movement through the lane during these times.​

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Description automatically generated**28 Malop Street – Archaeological Investigation**

While continued archaeological observation continues as part of the full investigation into the site’s history and cultural significance, most observations concluded over the holiday shut-down period.  
Most significant, was the discovery of 3 loose bluestone rocks (pictured), uncovered to the south of the cellar. These are thought to have been part of a retaining wall for a small light well to the cellar when originally in use.

A possible rectangular cess pit was also uncovered at the south boundary of the property. Further investigation and hand excavation of contents will be conducted during future foundations works by Rendine Constructions later in the program.

**Fortnightly Precinct Partner Meetings**

Running on a **Thursday evening** from 5-5.30pm, precinct traders, residents, building owners and other tenants are invited to an information session to discuss the upcoming works and co-design solutions to any construction activities that may impact the precinct. If you would like to join, please email [rcg@geelongcity.vic.gov.au](mailto:rcg@geelongcity.vic.gov.au) and we will add you to the invite list.