



Brisbane's early history to remain on show during development

Important artefacts charting Brisbane's early history - including old-fashioned music boxes, and relics from ships that sailed the Brisbane River in the 1800s - will remain in safe storage thanks to preparatory work ahead of Queen's Wharf Brisbane development starting up early next year.

Destination Brisbane Consortium has been working closely with the Royal Historical Society of Queensland (RHSQ) to ensure its valuable collection is stored safely throughout the build.

Items stored in the basement of the old Department of Primary Industries building have been relocated offsite to secure storage, and will be brought back to create regular exhibits at the Commissariat Store in William Street over coming years.

The Commissariat Store opened in 1829 and is now home to the RHSQ and its museum, making this impressive heritage building, built by convicts, Queensland's oldest occupied building.

Brisbane and Queensland's early history will continue to be showcased throughout construction of Queen's Wharf Brisbane as the museum remains open.

Some of its collection of artefacts with historical and conservation significance include:



Commissariat Store

- A Polyphon - coin operated, mechanical music box that you would have found in a café
- Aneroid barometer - works off atmospheric pressure and found in most upper-class homes in the late 1800s
- SS Louisa Ship's wheel

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PROJECT TIMELINE

2017

Access to site; demolition of non-heritage buildings; underground works

2018

Commence foundations for core development

2019/2020

Above-ground infrastructure; core development area and structure to take shape

2021

Internal fit out

2022

Expected opening of integrated resort

2024

Expected completion of Treasury building retail conversion



Project Update

The Plan of Development that Destination Brisbane Consortium will submit to Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) is progressing well and expected to be lodged before the end of this year.

To enable Early Works from early 2017, an Operational Works Permit will be submitted to EDQ in the coming weeks.

This permit will cover the site hoarding, soft strip of buildings, heritage building maintenance, and demolition of non-heritage buildings in the Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct.

Destination Brisbane Consortium is undertaking a selective Early Works tender process.

A number of major contractors with Queensland building licenses have been approached and asked to provide a response for tender.

This Early Works tender process should be finalised in late 2016 and Destination Brisbane Consortium is working towards accessing the site in early 2017.

To stay informed about the project, visit the Destination Brisbane Consortium website www.destinationbrisbaneconsortium.com.au.



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- Chair from the State Government's luxury yacht Lucinda - the ship where the draft First Constitution was written; and
- Bundy Clock - machine for punching employee duty cards to show their hours of service, and inform payroll.

For more information about the current exhibitions or to book a tour, contact the RHSQ on **3221 4195** or visit <http://www.commissariatstore.org.au/>.

Photo top left: Rebul's Ian and Ashley and RHSQ volunteer Mike with the SS Louisa ship's wheel. Top right: Polyphon music box. 2nd from top right: Rebul packing specialist Ashley with purpose built boxes. Bottom right: Grace removalists Daniel and Trevor with RHSQ volunteer Jeff.



Queen's Wharf Brisbane gets ready with new licence

Another milestone occurred this month with the granting by the state government of a new casino licence for Queen's Wharf Brisbane.

The licence will take effect when the precinct's new casino is expected to open its doors in 2022, at which point the Treasury Casino will cease to operate.

Perfectly positioned along the river's edge, Queen's Wharf Brisbane will be more than five city blocks in size. The new casino will represent less than 5 percent of its total footprint.

The Star Entertainment Group

CEO Matt Bekier said, "This is a transformational project, for locals and tourists alike, and together with our partners in Destination Brisbane Consortium, The Star Entertainment Group looks forward to the next phase of the project.

"We are delighted to reach another milestone moment towards the delivery of Australia's leading integrated resort at Queen's Wharf Brisbane."

When the new casino opens, the current Treasury Hotel & Casino will be repurposed to a high-end retail centre and a Ritz-Carlton Hotel.



How heritage impacts will be managed

Protecting heritage buildings within the Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct will be critical to our development - and we are meeting regularly with the Queensland Heritage Council to discuss how we will achieve this.

This month we met and spoke about our Construction Management Plan.

The plan will ensure we monitor any vibration and movement within the buildings during nearby demolition, excavation and construction activities.

We discussed with council the different equipment we will use, and how each building will be extensively

assessed prior to work starting and during the project works.

In the future these heritage buildings will be repurposed for everyone to come in, visit and enjoy. Importantly, no heritage buildings will be demolished in the development of Queen's Wharf Brisbane.

In the future, you may see them repurposed as boutique retail outlets or used as premises for food and beverage. Whatever the purpose - they will have been restored and refreshed to preserve for future generations to also enjoy.

Destination Brisbane Consortium Project Director Simon Crooks said unlocking these heritage buildings

for the public to enjoy was a key component of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane design and part of what will make it a unique destination.

"The contractors that we appoint to undertake work on this project will be required to comply with local and international structural standards for heritage conservation and ensure that their work methodology is robust to ensure they are meeting these standards," he said.

"We are the custodians of these beautiful buildings and we have a responsibility to ensure they are properly managed and restored throughout this development. This is a responsibility we take very seriously."

Monument relocations

In preparation for demolition and excavation activities starting early next year, various monuments have been relocated from the area that will become Queen's Wharf Brisbane.

Earlier this year, the Department of State Development organised the successful relocation of the statue of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to Government House Queensland and then last month the Battle for Australia Memorial was relocated to 7th Brigade Park, Chermside.

The Battle for Australia War Memorial was erected in 2004 by the State Government in the Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct on the corner of George and Alice Streets.

Other memorials to be relocated in the near future include the Police Memorial, the Netherlands WWII memorial and Neville Bonner Bust.

Once finalised in their new locations, information will be shared in the monthly e-newsletter.

Photo right: Battle for Australia War Memorial





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Brisbane Park Users meeting

Earlier this month Destination Brisbane Consortium, with the Department of State Development, attended the Brisbane City Council's Park Users meeting.

At the meeting Destination Brisbane Consortium provided an overview of the project including timing for when Early Works were likely to commence (from January 2017) and what is included in those Early Works (primarily demolition of non-heritage buildings and excavation activities).

Both heritage parks in the precinct, Queens Park (on the corners of William St, Elizabeth St and George St) and Miller Park (between William St and Queen's Wharf Rd) will continue to be open, accessible and useable for the general public, during Early Works.

When the Early Works activities start at the beginning of next year, the Queen's Wharf Brisbane project footprint will be hoarded for public safety, however access to the parks will be maintained.



Destination Brisbane Consortium presenting at the Park Users meeting

Last call for the 2016 Major Projects Series

The Department of State Development's 2016 Major Projects Series has been a great success with strong attendance at all events to date.

Having now travelled as far north as Townsville and west to Toowoomba, many businesses and individuals now have a better understanding of the opportunities available through the future Queen's Wharf Brisbane development, with more than 1,500 people having attended one of the events.

The final event including Destination Brisbane Consortium lead partner, The Star Entertainment Group will be held in Cairns on 24 November. Find out more on this event at www.dsd.qld.gov.au/mps.

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