



## Commencement of Civil works for subdivision of Defence land – Haberfield, NSW

The Department of Defence wishes to advise the local community that civil works associated with its land at 140A Hawthorne Parade, Haberfield will commence in mid-February 2022.

### Background

On 24 December 2021, the Department of Defence (Defence) obtained the necessary construction and external works permits from Inner West Council (Council) to proceed with a 22 lot subdivision of the vacant 1.9 hectare Commonwealth owned land at 140A Hawthorne Parade, Haberfield. The 22 lot subdivision will comprise 21 residential lots, plus one lot to be transferred to Council for public open space and community amenity. Following Council's community information session about the development on 18 November 2021, Defence conducted two community door-knocks on 15 December 2021 and 31 January 2022, as a further opportunity for residents to discuss the upcoming development. All queries and feedback were welcomed and valued.

### Working safely during the pandemic

Defence and Council continue to closely monitor the current situation in Sydney regarding appropriate response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Works commencement will be undertaken in accordance with a NSW Government COVID-19 work safety plan and align with NSW Government restrictions. Defence and Council are committed to remaining diligent and compliant with NSW Government requirements to ensure safe social and work practices during the pandemic.

### What to expect during this time

Defence will undertake a range of internal and external maintenance and civil engineering works to achieve the subdivision requirements of Council. The principle works involve upgrade to the storm water drainage system which also includes work within the Council owned road on O'Connor Street. Defence's expert contractors have developed a comprehensive construction and traffic management plan that is designed to mitigate any potential impacts to the community that may arise from the works.

### Future of the site



Defence is responsible for ensuring the land is suitable for development and is taking all necessary actions to comply with Council's civil works requirements under the approved Development Application. Following works certification and title registration, Defence will undertake an open market sale of the residential lots in accordance with the Commonwealth Property Disposal Policy. At this time, Defence anticipates marketing and sale to occur in mid-2022. Defence recognises the heritage significance of Haberfield and will ensure future purchasers are aware of the development conditions for the site under Council's existing planning scheme, which requires future development to preserve the heritage character of the suburb of Haberfield.

### Additional Information

Defence and Council will continue to keep the community updated as the civil work progresses. Further information regarding all matters of the development can be found on Defence's website: [www.defence.gov.au/PropertyDisposals/haberfield.asp](http://www.defence.gov.au/PropertyDisposals/haberfield.asp)

#### Further Information


For on site civil works queries:

-  BGIS (Defence contractor) - 1800 351 235
-  [enquiries@apac.bgis.com](mailto:enquiries@apac.bgis.com)

General or future sale queries:

-  Defence Estate Disposal team - [estate.disposals@defence.gov.au](mailto:estate.disposals@defence.gov.au)

For planning matters regarding future development of the site:

-  Inner West Council - [council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au) or log an online enquiry through the Inner West Council website.