

Stakeholder update

Dromana Pier Concept Plan

February 2020

Parks Victoria has commenced a project to inform a decision to either repair or replace Dromana Pier in the future. Parks Victoria is currently seeking input from stakeholders to understand their use and aspirations for Dromana Pier to help inform this decision.

About Dromana Pier

Dromana Pier is located in the suburb of Dromana, on the south-eastern shores of Port Phillip, Victoria. It is located between Safety Beach and McCrae, situated at the foot of Arthurs Seat; the highest point on the Mornington Peninsula.

Dromana Pier is one of over 40 piers and jetties in Port Phillip and Western Port managed by Parks Victoria.

The original pier was built in the 1860's and was used for transferring cargo to ships and as a ferry terminal.

Today, the pier is popular for promenading over the water with view of Arthur's Seat with bathing boxes and the beautiful beach in the foreground. The pier is a very popular angling, swimming and short-term public berthing location. The current pier is 186m long and 3.65m wide and is of concrete construction.

In 2016, engineer's assessment found many large cracks and areas of exposed reinforcement. This project aims to assess options of both repair and replacement to determine the best value for investment and ongoing community use.

Concept Development

Parks Victoria has engaged Cardno Victoria Pty Ltd to develop a concept plan. The key stages of the project are as follows.

1. Review of existing information

Review all existing information, comprising existing condition inspections, planning documents, design and as-built drawings, pier visitor satisfaction reports and heritage documents.



2. Stakeholder consultation

Meet with relevant stakeholders to establish current and future community, economic and environmental values regarding the pier.

3. Concept development

Develop options for the pier. The first option will be a 'base case' repair of the pier in its current configuration. Two additional pier replacement concepts will also be developed considering the community's needs and aspirations. Cardno's maritime engineers and landscape architects will work collaboratively to develop the two pier replacement concepts considering user amenity, functional constraints and environmental factors.

4. Community feedback

The options will be presented to the community for feedback via Engage Victoria's online public consultation website. Following community input, the concepts will be further refined.

5. Options study report

Cardno's findings will be presented in an options study report to Parks Victoria for consideration.

Project timeline

Mar 2020

Options development by Cardno.

Apr 2020

Pier replacement concepts available for public comment.

May 2020

Refine options based on community feedback.

Options study report provided to Parks Victoria for consideration.

Note: Project timing is subject to change.

At this point, Parks Victoria is investigating the best concept for replacement to weigh against repair option. There is no commitment from Parks Victoria or government to implement the results of the investigation.