

Nambucca Heads Library

Extension Project

PROJECT UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2021

Project Overview

The project will extend the Nambucca Heads Library and revitalise the Cultural Precinct; aiming to increase visitation and use of the facilities.

Recent Actions

Development Approval for the project was issued on 21 December 2020. Since then, a large amount of background work has been done on the technical engineering: water and sewer, lighting, fire services, electricals, air conditioning etc. The project was then offered for tender and O'Donnell & Hanlon P/L was awarded the construction job on 12 August. In preparation for construction to commence, the Library has been relocated to a temporary home next door. Plans for a new public toilet, east of the library in Ridge Street, have also been completed.

The Builder

O'Donnell & Hanlon Pty Ltd is a family owned Australian building firm specialising in the construction, maintenance, extensions, modifications and refurbishment of buildings in the residential, commercial, industrial, health and education and community markets in NSW. ODH head office is based in Kempsey, with regional offices in Coffs Harbour, Goonellabah and Tamworth.

Construction

Commences mid September 2021 and involves partial demolition and rebuilding in a 40 week program (minimum).



Architect: Vokes and Peters Pty Ltd

Builder: O'Donnell & Hanlon Pty Ltd

Funded By: Create NSW Regional Cultural Fund, the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program and Nambucca Valley Council

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Library Operations

Nambucca Heads Library has now settled into its temporary home in the Nambucca Community and Arts Centre Large Hall in Ridge Street and will continue to operate Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.00pm and Saturdays 9.30am to 12.00noon (subject to Public Health orders). Whilst some library programs will be suspended at Nambucca Heads during construction, the full library collection remains available to the community along with a number of public access PCs. There will be no change to on-line services or e-books.

Entire collection available	Yes
Opening hours	Unchanged, may be short interruptions during construction due to health and safety requirements.
Wheelchair access	Yes
Browsing the collection	Yes, also use the online catalogue to reserve items for collection.
Public Access PCs	Yes
Library Programs	Most suspended during construction: Story Time and Youngsters continue in Gallery.
Macksville Library	Business as usual. Tuesday to Friday 9.30am to 5.00pm.
Stringer Gallery	Open. Hours subject to available volunteers. Operated by Nambucca Valley Arts Council Inc.
Parking	During construction: EV Charger unavailable; some changes due to allocations for construction work and 15 minute parking will replace the Bus Stop .

Consultation with the Nambucca Community and Arts Centre Committee of Management continues and the Precinct Working Group meets to plan for operating the new facility.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Installing Air Conditioning in Large Hall.

Finalising new library interior design.

Commence ordering new furniture and equipment.



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