

# Works notice



## Demolition works at 5-39 Hobsons Road

### Kensington

Tuesday 14 January 2025 until mid-2025

The site at 5-39 Hobsons Road (part of the land formerly known as 1-39 Hobsons Road) is currently being used to support Metro Tunnel Project construction activities. To ensure ongoing safety of the site, demolition and retention works will be undertaken from January to mid-2025.



#### When we'll be working

These works will take place during the day, **Monday – Friday between 7am–6pm**  
**Saturday 7am – 1pm.**

These works were approved by the Minister for Planning in January 2024 following public exhibition of an amendment to the RIA Western Portal Development Plan in September 2023.

- Staged demolition of three buildings (buildings B, C, and E) and the chimney at the rear of the property, as well as removal of the infill wall located at the entrance from Hobsons Road. These require demolition after an investigation by independent structural engineers found these buildings are dilapidated and have deteriorated to a point where structural integrity has been compromised beyond repair
- Permanent internal propping of building F to ensure original heritage facade is retained
- Removal of one tree inside site to facilitate demolition of the infill wall.
- These works require the removal of asbestos. Further information is on the next page
- A small section of the western Hobsons Road footpath, located 50 metres north of Kensington Road, will have a short-term closure while the temporary entrance is built. Signage and traffic management will be in place to divert pedestrians around the closure
- The section of footpath on Hobsons Road in front of building F will remain closed with pedestrians diverted into the parking lane with water filled barriers creating a safe route
- The footpath in front of building H will be closed in small sections for short periods of time over three days with traffic management on site to assist with pedestrian movements
- Three parking spaces will be closed on Hobsons Road in front of the temporary entrance into site for the duration of the works.

#### What we'll be doing

- Construction of a temporary entrance into site and internal access road on site for use by the construction team and neighbouring businesses during demolition works
- Temporary external propping on the outside of building F to provide support during roof removal
- Staged removal of asbestos from four buildings (buildings B,C, E and F)
- Removal of the partially collapsed roof from building F, at the front of the property, with roof replacement to be undertaken at a later date

#### What to be aware of

- Works will require the use of excavators, elevated work platforms, crews with hand tools and trucks
- Works are expected to generate low to medium levels of noise
- Works are expected to produce a low level of dust, with suppression measures to be implemented including water points throughout the site
- There will be increased construction vehicle movements including trucks into the site
- Temporary motion activated lighting will be installed along the new access road on site



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# Works area map



## Asbestos removal

- Asbestos found on site will be removed by specialised asbestos removal workers under the supervision of an independent occupational hygienist, in accordance with WorkSafe Victoria's Compliance Code 'Removing asbestos in workplaces' published December 2019.
- Removal of asbestos containing material by licensed professionals does not pose any safety risk to site staff or the public. Appropriate management measures will be employed during the removal of asbestos. This includes:
  - Air monitoring around the site perimeter and daily results monitoring to ensure worker and public safety
  - Exclusion zones set up around designated asbestos removal area
  - Water will be used on site as part of dust suppressions measures.

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