City Walk and Petrie Plaza improvements | October 2026

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Exploratory work to inform lighting and paving upgrades between Garema Place and Ainslie Place and lighting improvements for Petrie Plaza started in September.

These works aim to locate underground services including electrical, water and sewerage infrastructure ahead of construction.

RAM Constructions, the contractor delivering the paving and lighting upgrades, will carry out further site investigations in late October and November. This work will involve a hydro-excavation truck, which uses water to safely locate underground services.

The investigations will generate some noise during the day. City Renewal has asked RAM Constructions to avoid noisy work between noon and 2pm where possible to minimise disruption during the lunch period.

Further exploratory work may need to be undertaken in December 2026, but this work is expected to be minor. Construction for upgrades in this area are scheduled to begin in early 2027.

Site compound

A site compound, where materials will be stored, will be installed in Petrie Plaza between the merry go round and London Circuit in early 2027.

The compound will be made using 1.8m high construction fencing to ensure the safety of pedestrians and workers. The installation of the fencing is not expected to create a large amount of noise.

City Walk, between East Row and Garema Place

Work for paving and lighting improvements for City Walk, between East Row and Garema Place, is scheduled to begin in February 2027.
Construction and more extensive work in this area is not expected to begin until after March 2027.

At times, Saraton Lane may be reduced to one lane during construction. Businesses will be notified well in advance if this takes place.

Project drop-in information session

We would like to invite stakeholders to an information session about City Walk and Petrie Plaza improvements.

- When: 9:30am to 10:30am, Tuesday 24 November
- Where: Central Social Club, 202 City Walk

This is a drop-in session to introduce you to the team responsible for the project and answer any questions you may have.

Design images and information on the schedule of work will be available.

Business survey

Thank you to businesses who completed the recent survey on opening hours, busy trading times and access needs. We will use this feedback to help plan construction works and reduce disruption where possible.

Free Friday entertainment in Garema Place

City Renewal is hosting small scale free performances by a range of local performers each Friday evening in Garema Place.

Called Garema Sessions, the performances aim to bring more activity and interest to Garema Place following the completion recent improvements.

Event details

- What: Free small scale music performances
- When: 6pm-8pm, Friday evenings weekly.
- Where: Garema Place