

Dickson Shops upgrade

Construction is progressing well for the Dickson Shops upgrade, and the project remains on track for completion in mid-2027.

The project is being undertaken in stages to minimise disruption to businesses and the community. This approach also allows areas to be opened progressively throughout the project.

Work to begin for stage three

Work will commence on the third stage of the project on Monday, 25 May 2026. Stage three includes the area north of the post office between the Dickson Library and Cowper Street.

Stage three is anticipated to take four to five months to complete, weather permitting.

Stage three involves work within the Joan Kellet Way carpark including the installation of upgraded disability parking spaces, widening of footpaths and short-stay parking changes to

the taxi zone next to the Dickson Library alongside paving, lighting and landscaping improvements.

These changes have been made to improve accessibility and connections between the Dickson Shops and Cowper Street.

During stage three you may notice an increase in large vehicles entering and exiting the site through the carpark. This includes excavators, concrete trucks and large machinery.

Access to businesses and public toilets near Cowper Street will be maintained during construction with pedestrian detours and wayfinding signage in place.

Temporary changes to parking

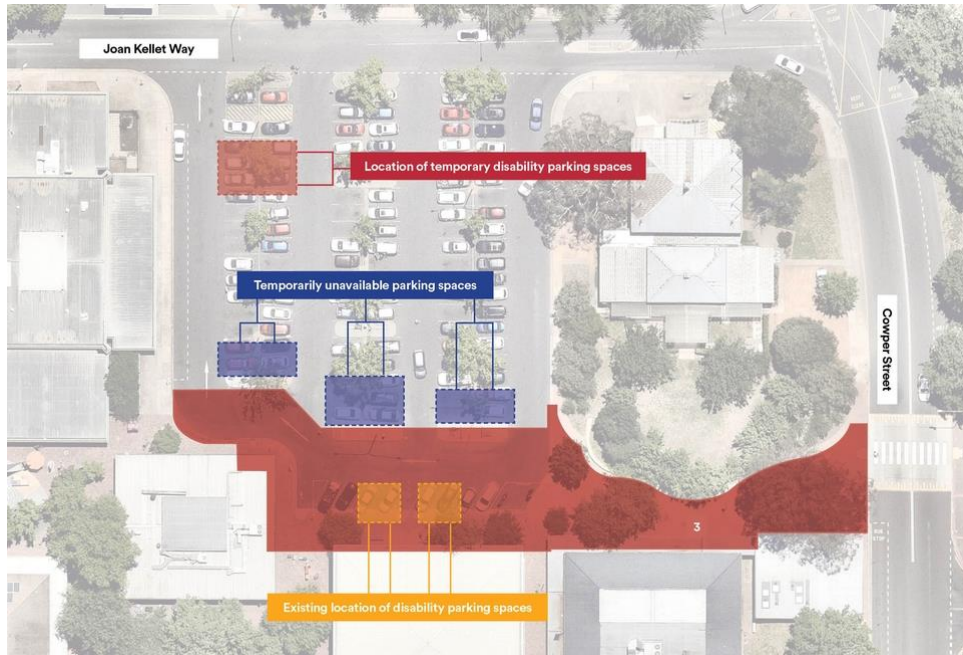
Construction fencing in the Joan Kellet Way car park is scheduled to be installed on Wednesday 27 May 2026.

Four disability parking spaces will be temporarily relocated from the southern, post office end of car park to the north-western corner of the car park while stage three takes place. Please see diagram below.

To ensure the retention of disability parking and provide safe access for construction vehicles and pedestrians, some parking spaces at the southern, post office end of the car park will also be temporarily unavailable during work for stage three.

We acknowledge that parking is essential for businesses and visitors. We understand the importance of maintaining safe and convenient access for people with accessibility needs. Parking is available nearby within the Dickson Tradies Poppyfield Street car park and Dickson Village.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we make the Dickson Shops safer, more accessible and welcoming.



Location of temporary disability parking.

Contact us

For urgent construction matters, please contact Guy Beaumont, Site Manager at Complex Co on 0408 430 189.

For construction-related inquiries, email Complex Co at dicksonact@complexco.com.au

For general questions about the project, you can email our team at cityrenewal@act.gov.au or call (02) 6205 1878.

Please note: Guy Beaumont should only be contacted for urgent construction matters. For any other queries or comments, please reach out to the City Renewal Authority.

[Contact us](#)



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Project timeline:
January 2026 - mid 2027

Project stages:
The project is progressing through stages 1-4a until mid-2026.

- Stage 1
- Stage 2
- Stage 3
- Stage 4a

Future stages:

- Stages 4b-9



Dickson Shops upgrade construction staging plan (please note: Diagram is indicative and subject to change).



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