

Royal George Hotel

34 Duke Street Pty Ltd, the owners of the Royal George Hotel (located on the corner of Duke and George Streets) are continuing with the first phase of restoration works to the hotel building. On the 4 November 2021 a development application for the vacant land at the rear of the Hotel was approved by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC).

Phases of Works

The restoration works are being undertaken in two distinct phases, being:

PHASE 1

This phase will focus on completing most of the external restoration works including, the cupola, external George and Duke Street facades, the roof, all chimneys, exterior windows and doors and the verandah.

There are a number of construction management plans in place with the Town that must be adhered to by the builder. These plans cover the mitigation of dust, noise and parking issues on the areas surrounding the site.

The Town will be liaising with the builder regularly throughout Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the restoration and construction works.

If residents have any concerns about the construction and its impact, they are advised to contact the Town of East Fremantle as per the details below.

PHASE 2

This phase will complete any remaining external restoration works plus all the interior restoration and fit out works that are required to accommodate the new uses proposed for the Royal George Hotel.

What Happens Now?

The development application for Phase 2 was approved on 4 November 2021. It included approval for the hotel uses, including a full refurbishment of the building for hospitality purposes, 10 hotel rooms, artisan food and beverage production and the construction of 24 apartments in a nine storey building at the rear of the site.

Due to the construction cost of this development and new planning legislation, the Town of East Fremantle was not the decision-maker in respect to planning approval.

The WAPC determined the 'Significant Development' application subject to conditions. The decision and conditions of planning approval are available on the WAPC website at:

<https://online.dplh.wa.gov.au/sdau/view.asp?d=State%20Development%20Assessment%20Unit>

The owner must now make an application for a Building Permit before any works on the rear of the site can commence.

The Town can be contacted for any enquiries regarding the planning approval process or the conditions of planning approval.

