

# Little Beach accessibility precinct

#### You spoke

Since our last community update in December 2022, we've visited Little Beach twice to meet with the community and discuss decisions that have been made about the upcoming works at the Little Beach accessibility precinct. This update is designed to inform the community about this important project.

#### We listened

We heard some very valuable feedback at the community drop-in sessions, held at Little Beach in early 2023. Based on what we heard, some changes have been made to the design of the amenities building. An internal shower has been added to the change rooms and the height of the roof has been lowered to reduce the visual impact of the structure.

# The Little Beach story

Little Beach was identified as a 'Changing Places' location thanks to it's level ground and easy access to the beach from parked vehicles. A 'Changing Places' location provides suitable facilities for all abilities to enjoy and once the amenities are built at Little Beach, it'll be the first in the local government area. Little Beach will become a special precinct that supports wellbeing, inclusivity, accessibility – making all feel welcome.

The nearby Halifax Holiday Park has already embraced accessibility, building cabins with dedicated wheel chair access, maneuvering space and accessible bathrooms. The 'Changing Places' amenities include a shower, ceiling hoist, adult sized changing table, privacy screen and additional circulation space to meet the needs of people with complex disabilities and their carers.



### Other works at Little Beach

To create the Little Beach special precinct that supports wellbeing, inclusivity and accessibility for all, a number of other works have been scheduled at the location.

Project	Funding source	Date*
'Changing Places' amenities	Regional Tourism Activation Fund 40% external funding	March – June 2023
Standard amenities	Recreation Fishing and Camping program 70% external funding	March – June 2023
Park furniture – BBQ shelter and benches	Regional Tourism Activation Fund 100% external funding	April – June 2023
Water fountain	Water Recycling program 100% external funding	May – June 2023
Shared path – Nelson Bay beach to Halifax Holiday Park	Public Spaces Legacy Fund 100% external funding	April – June 2023
Beach wheelchair access ramp  – extension from accessible swimming/ fishing jetty for wheelchair beach access	Regional Tourism Activation Fund 100% external funding	April – June 2023
Fish cleaning table	Recreation Camping and Fishing program 100% external funding	April – May 2023
Car park redesign	Recreation Camping and Fishing program 40% external funding	June 2023
Irrigation upgrade	Regional Tourism Activation Fund 50% external funding	May – June 2023
Roadworks	Australian Government Black Spot works 100% external funding	June – August 2023

<sup>\*</sup>dates are indicative only



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