

Newsletter

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Bondi Pavilion restoration progresses. Credit: Buildcorp, August 2021

Bondi Pavilion

Restoration and Conservation Together

Works have progressed considerably to restore and conserve the much-loved community landmark, the Bondi Pavilion. Effort is dedicated to ensure the historic building will support the needs of the Bondi community for decades to come.

The works on the main atrium, courtyard and bathrooms have been completed. The stairs are now in place, and services such as plumbing and electricity have been installed.

The Bondi Pavilion project has now reached the restoration stage with works continuing on the fit-out of the main pavilion and the gate house. Next steps include removal of scaffolding, installation of solar panels, and restoration to pavilion walls and the gate house archway.

Two highlights of the restoration project have been the new tiling for the roof, which is 90 percent complete at the time of writing, and the Pavilion's atrium.

The atrium is at the centre of the pavilion and will be the central focus of visitor orientation and connection. Originally, the area was a simple courtyard, with the space linking the main entry to the formal ballroom, function and dining areas, as well as the toilets and change areas.

The new atrium maintains its connections under an elevated glass roof, supported on sculptural concrete columns and laminated timber beams. The new space provides significant natural ventilation at the heart of the building, complementing its original character with a dramatic new enclosure.

The site team has been continually adapting to NSW Health Orders to remain COVIDSafe. Work has resumed after the two week industry 'pause' in July. The project is now progressing, however we are operating at a reduced capacity to ensure that all on site and in the Bondi community are safe.

Keeping Bondi Community Safe - COVID-19 Measures

Recent months have presented a challenge for the entire community to keep everyone safe during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Buildcorp acted quickly to ensure the Bondi Pavilion site remained COVIDSafe and compliant. The site closed for two weeks in July when the NSW Premier announced the pause on construction work in Greater Sydney.

Work on the Bondi Pavilion restarted on 2 August 2021 with proactive safety measures in place informed by the NSW Health Orders. This includes improved site sign-ins, ongoing safety training and COVID Marshalls to ensure that all on site are safe and compliant.

We will continue to follow NSW Health advice to protect our construction partners and the wider community, and update you on any changes or developments.



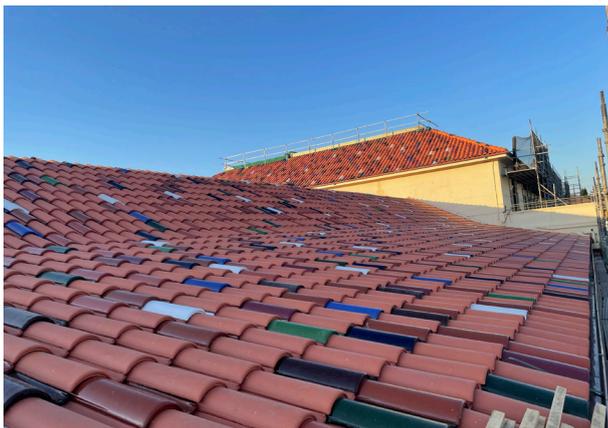
COVID Marshalls help keep the site and the community safe.
Credit: Buildcorp, August 2021

Project Timeline



*date tentative due to potential delays and limitation on works due to NSW Health Orders.

Restoration Highlights



A mix of earth-coloured terracotta tiles, inspired by the history of the building, form the roof of the much loved Bondi Pavilion. Credit: Buildcorp, August 2021.

Historic 33,000 Terracotta Tiles

The replacement of the tiles on the roof of the Bondi Pavilion was handled sensitively over the last 4 months to ensure that the building's heritage elements remained protected.

The restoration included laying over 33,000 terracotta tiles. The tiles are textured, coloured, semi-circular terracotta tiles, influenced by the Post War Mediterranean architecture as per the original design when the building was constructed in 1928. The tile colours are a mix of earth colours, and alternated when layered, providing the building with a historically authentic and unique look.



An elevated glass roof, a light atrium will be the central masterpiece of the Bondi Pavilion. Credit: Buildcorp, August 2021.

New Pavilion Atrium Takes Shape

The atrium structure and glazing was completed last month to create a new sunlit space under an elevated glazed roof.

The 'skylight' glazing is supported on sculptural concrete columns and specialised glulam timber beams. The special timber brings sustainability benefits and allows natural sunlight and ventilation for the comfort of visitors.

The concrete balustrades and columns have taken considerable amount of planning, sampling and prototyping to ensure they could create the smooth and seamless finish.

The foundations for the columns were constructed in January, with the atrium canopy completed in August. Such specialised work is intensive and takes time to get right.



Skylights will be supported by sculpted concrete columns and glulam timber beams as featured. Credit: Buildcorp, August 2021.

Works update

What's happened

- Main Pavilion glass skylight installed
- Main Pavilion atrium glulam timber beams installed
- Main Pavilion Theatre roof completed
- Main Pavilion services installed
- Southern Pavilion radio room concrete poured
- Western Loggia concrete poured
- North and South Colonnades roof concrete poured
- Balustrades and concrete stairs completed
- North Pavilion pottery & amenities area concrete poured

Current works

- Completing roof tiling
- Fitting out the Main Pavilion and Theatre
- Restoring Heritage Façade of the Main Pavilion
- Finalising the structural and service works in the Courtyard
- Fitting out the inside of the Gatehouse

Forecast schedule of works

- Complete roof tiling
- Remove scaffolding from the Main Pavilion
- Waterproof the North Pavilion Colonnade
- Restore the heritage walls of the Main Pavilion
- Restore the Gatehouse archway
- Pour Courtyard concrete
- Commence landscaping on western side of the Main Pavilion

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Working with the Community

The Buildcorp team is committed to working closely with Waverley Council and local stakeholders to minimise disruption in the area.

For enquiries or concerns about the project, please contact us
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Construction team working closely with Waverley Council.
Credit: Buildcorp, June 2021.

Want to know more about the historic project?

Head to [waverley.nsw.gov.au/bondipavilionproject](https://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/bondipavilionproject) for the most up-to-date info.

For non-construction enquiries about the Pavilion please contact pavilionconsultation@waverley.nsw.gov.au

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