

NEIGHBOURHOOD ADVISORY PANEL

In late 2016, The Star initiated the establishment of a Neighbourhood Advisory Panel.

The panel discusses issues relating to The Star and local community, provide a forum for the community to get information on The Star's plans, and to identify opportunities for The Star to provide community support. The first meeting took place in April 2017 and since then the Panel has continued to provide a forum for members of the local community to raise issues of concern, hear about

The Star's activities, and make suggestions for improvement.

At the most recent meeting in September, items for discussion included concerns about local traffic impacts and safety, and the proposed new hotel and residential tower and opportunities for the community to provide feedback.

KEEPING PYRMONT SAFE

The Star has a zero-tolerance approach towards anti-social behaviour in and around its property, and we are committed to working with our neighbours to create a better community for everyone who works and lives in Pyrmont.

Our Asset Protection team regularly patrols the streets in the immediate vicinity of The Star. If anti-social behaviour is observed, the individuals concerned are asked to move on. The police are consulted where appropriate.

If residents are concerned about or would like to report an incident, including loud and anti-social behaviour, please call our Asset Protection Team on 02 9657 8723 and we will do our best to assist.

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YOUR LOCAL UPDATE ISSUE 08, *NOVEMBER 2018*

Welcome to the latest edition of The Star, a quarterly round-up of what's making news at The Star and within the Pyrmont community.

With Christmas fast approaching, I am keen to let you know about the many exciting events happening in and around the Pyrmont community in the coming weeks:



Live nativity and carols – kicking off at 7.00pm on Friday 14 December 2018, MustardSeed Uniting Church in Ultimo will once again put on its live nativity play, complete with camels, sheep, a donkey and a bunch of locals, Quarry Green on the corner of Quarry Street and Bulwara Road, Ultimo.

Carols in Union Square – from 6.00PM Friday 21 December, warm your vocal chords and rejoice in the spirit of Christmas at Union Square. The evening will be led by MC Jim Coyle, Pyrmont Sings! and a brass quartet.

Our transformation of a number of areas at The Star is almost complete, and I would like to thank our nearest neighbours for their patience while these works are being done. The refurbishments are progressing well, and are on track for completion in the first half of next year.

Since the last edition of the newsletter, our restaurants have received several prestigious awards. I am excited to let you know that Good Food Guide Awards 2019 recognised Momofuku Seiōbo as one of the best establishments in Australia, awarding it three chef's hats, while Sokyo retained its one hat for a fifth time. BLACK Bar & Grill was also named Restaurant of the Year (Deluxe) at the Tourism Accommodation Australia NSW Awards. These are terrific accolades, and I congratulate Head Chefs Dany Karam, Paul Carmichael and Chase Kojima along with their respective teams for the continued success. Well done!

The Star often has the privilege of hosting special events, and we're fortunate this year to be hosting, for the second year in a row, the AACTA Awards and the ARIAs.

Join us to celebrate the 2018 ARIA Awards, Australia's largest annual music event at an exclusive party with

a live direct viewing feed will be held on Wednesday 28 November at Rock Lily at The Star:

www.ariaawards.com.au/buy-tickets

Or you can join Australia's favourite stars of the big and small screen as they celebrate 60 years of honouring Australian film and television excellence at the 2018 AACTA Awards:

premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=AACTA18

The Neighbourhood Advisory Panel met in September for the third time this year. Thanks to our panel members for making time to attend and contribute to the panel's deliberations. We appreciate receiving feedback from residents and the panel performs an invaluable service in this regard.

Greg Hawkins
Managing Director,
The Star Sydney



LISTENING TO THE COMMUNITY

We recently sought feedback from the community on our proposal to construct this new hotel and residential tower.

Thank you to all those who attended our briefing and information sessions and also provided feedback. We had almost 5,000 people visit our project display and had 129 people attend our community information sessions and briefing.

The Star is committed to ensuring ongoing communication and engagement with local residents and the community as the project progresses.

Our application is currently being assessed by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment, and we hope to have an update for you early in 2019.



If you would like to find out more, please contact us via e-mail or phone. Email development@star.com.au or phone 1800 798 646 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.

SYDNEY ELECTRIC LIGHT SERVICE BUILDING

Did you know that the Sydney Electric Light Service building located on Union Street Pyrmont is all that remains of Sydney's first power station?

The Pyrmont Power Station began operation in 1904 and provided electricity for Sydneysiders to light, heat and power their homes. It also powered street lights from Circular Quay to Redfern Station and from Darling Harbour to Hyde Park. The station was decommissioned in 1983 following the move to larger power

stations and issues associated with transporting large amounts of coal into the CBD. The steel chimneys were removed in 1989, and the remainder of the station buildings demolished during the 1990s, apart from the original office building that still stands today.

DEVELOPMENTS ACROSS THE STAR

The Star continues its transformation across the property to improve the experience for all our visitors and staff.

We have been hard at work transforming the Pyrmont Street entrance including adding features such as custom lighting, a reflection pool and a Star sculpture, and we expect this work to be completed early next year.

We are also:

- Adding a new luxury retail shopping corridor
- Expanding the Sovereign VIP Gaming Room and Main Gaming Floor

- Upgrading the Porte-Cochere and Astral Hotel Lobby on the Pyrmont Street side, including a new hotel Lobby Bar
- Installing new escalators in the retail/food arcade, and a new escalator lobby to facilitate access between the ground floor and Level 5
- Constructing a new event centre pre-function space
- Adding external lighting and making other improvements to the heritage-listed Sydney Electric Light Service
- Upgrading The Star's basement level infrastructure to meet sustainability objectives, and other back of house upgrades to provide better facilities for staff



OUR NEW HOTEL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

We have received some positive feedback on the proposed community facilities, improvements to the local traffic and access arrangements, streetscape and landscaping, and also on the overall tower design.

We also heard concerns about the height of the tower, the potential for overshadowing and wind effects, and about the impacts on local traffic. We are keen to continue to work with the community as the project progresses and address concerns wherever we can.

The proposal is for a luxury hotel, designed by internationally acclaimed architects, fjmt, and to be run by luxury brand the Ritz-Carlton, and includes a new Neighbourhood Centre with spaces and facilities for community use. We're also proposing a number of transport, retail, food and beverage improvements across the site.

The final design, including location and scale of the proposed development, was developed in

response to existing site constraints, the requirement to limit environmental impacts and a commercial brief to deliver a hotel as part of an integrated resort to an international standard

The fjmt design proposal received strong support from key stakeholders and the community during the Design Excellence Competition. Since then, elements of the proposal have been revised and refined, taking into consideration feedback received from DRP, the community and key stakeholders.

The Star has worked closely with the community and key stakeholders throughout the planning process to understand potential issues and opportunities from a local perspective.

The proposal will deliver a number of benefits to the local area and its residents, including:

- A neighbourhood centre with spaces and facilities for community use
- A range of food and beverage options, including premium dining facilities
- A more cohesive and connected precinct – including improved transport and pedestrian movements
- The creation of future employment opportunities
- An iconic, architecturally designed landmark building for Pyrmont