Elgin Towers update: Crane installation works

What's coming up: September 2025

- Since our last update, the tower crane installation dates have been updated to the 12th, 13th and 14th of September
- The safety of nearby residents and our work crews is our priority.
- All work will operate within EPA Victoria and WorkSafe guidelines and the City of Melbourne's Local Laws and Code of Practice for Building and Construction Works.



Installation of a tower crane

To deconstruct the two red brick buildings safely and efficiently, we will install a tower crane at the building site in between the Elgin and Nicholson Street buildings:

- The crane will remain in place during the deconstruction works.
- It will take 3 days to install the crane on site between 12th, 13th and 14th of September.
- The tower crane will be approximately 50 metres high, and the crane cabin will be located at 17 storeys high.
- This will be just above the top of the existing towers.
- The crane will have engineering safety controls in place to ensure it will only be able to lift loads from the red brick buildings to loading zones located immediately next to the buildings within our site.
- The crane will not lift any loads over neighbouring properties.

When the crane is not working or it is outside working hours, the arm of the crane will be raised in a safe position. In line with strict safety guidelines, the crane will be able to move with the direction of the wind when not in use. This is normal and safe.

When will the works take place?

- Friday, 12th September- 7:00am 5:00pm
- Saturday, 13th September 7:00am 5:00pm
- Sunday, 14th September 6:00am 6:00pm

Please note that these dates have been updated since the previous notification was issued, and council have approved these working hours.

These works may change due to unexpected site and weather conditions.

We will provide nearby neighbours with enough notice if there is a change in dates.





Traffic changes and work impacts

To safely install the tower crane, a smaller mobile crane will be brought on between Friday 12th, Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th September.

Changes to Elgin Street

Friday 12th and Saturday 13th September - There will be short delays on Elgin Street between Canning Street and Nicholson Street.

Traffic controllers will be on site to allow safe movement of machinery and works.

Sunday 14th September – Elgin Street will be closed between Canning Street and Nicholson Street between 6:00am – 6:00pm.

Detour signage will be in place, and traffic controllers will be on site, to keep everyone safe.

Please allow extra time to reach your destination during these works.

Changes to Elgin Street footpath

Friday 12th and Saturday 13th September - the footpath in front of the work site on Elgin Street will be closed between 7:00am – 5:00pm. Traffic controllers will be on site, to keep everyone safe.

Elgin Street bus stop changes

Friday 12th and Saturday 13th September – The bus stop on Elgin Street will be moved towards Canning Street. Signage will be in place.

Sunday 14th September – The bus stop will be closed between 6:00am – 6:00pm.

Car park closure

On all 3 days, to keep everyone safe and provide safe access in and out of the work site, the carparks in front of the building site on Elgin Street will be temporarily closed.

Talk to our team

We're happy to talk to you and answer any questions about information in this notice within our 14-day consultation period (29th August-12th September) – you can find our details below:

Call: John Holland 03 9417 8593
Email: carlton@homes.vic.gov.au
Drop by: Tuesday 2nd September between 5 – 7pm
Community room at 38 Elgin Street, Carlton

We will continue to provide nearby neighbours with information ahead of each stage of the project.

Find out more

www.homes.vic.gov.au/information-neighbourselgin



