

VICSES Aintree

Update

July 2023



Project update

- Following the completion of the Cultural Heritage Management Plan induction and receipt of all permits, construction commenced in April 2023.
- The Avenue of Honour has been successfully removed and stored for re-installation as agreed with Council. The crossover for site access has also been completed.
- In-ground structural and services works are progressing, with the motor bay and office building sub-structure works nearing completion in preparation for structural steel installation from early August 2023.



Next steps

- Complete in-ground structure and services and begin installing structural steel.
- Progress design and certification of items with long-lead times including the monopole and switchboard.
- Continue construction activities with Practical completion scheduled for early 2024.

This update is current at time of distribution, however due to unforeseen circumstances, changes may occur.

Project timeline:

- 1 **Site identification**
Completed
- 2 **Site due diligence**
Completed
- 3 **Concept and schematic design**
Completed
- 4 **Town planning approval**
Completed
- 5 **Detailed design**
Completed
- 6 **Procure and appoint construction firm**
Completed
- 7 **Construction commences**
Completed
- 8 **Construction concludes**
Early 2024
- 9 **Handover of facility**
Early – mid 2024

Construction process

Once a builder has been appointed to construct a new VICSES facility, CSBA's project team plays an important role in managing the contract so that the construction phase runs as smoothly as possible.



Community Safety Building Authority's (CSBA) role

During the construction of a new VICSES facility, CSBA's project team is responsible for a range of contract administration and management tasks, including:

- Reviewing the Contractor's Program and Plans (site management, traffic management, OH&S, Environmental Management Plan and commissioning / handover)
- Regular site visits and attending site meetings
- Responding to Contractor's requests for information, resolving technical queries with consultants and issuing of instructions to Contractor as required
- Managing the review and approval of Contractor submissions including samples, shop drawings, as-built drawings and operation and maintenance manuals
- Managing and administering contract variations
- Providing monthly reporting on progress on site



How long will it take to build our new facility?

CSBA estimates that your new facility will take approximately ten months to construct. As with any construction project of this size, there may be some schedule impacts, however CSBA and your VICSES Regional Manager will keep you informed throughout the process. Extensions or refurbishments will take less time to complete.



What happens if the weather impacts the progress of the build?

Factors such as inclement weather are considered when the estimated project timeline is determined. However, there may be issues out of CSBA's control that mean the construction will take longer than anticipated.



Can we visit the site while it is under construction?

Construction sites are busy places. Many contractors work side-by-side and heavy vehicles come and go so there are a number of OH&S risks that must be considered. CSBA will endeavour to organise an opportunity for you to inspect the construction site at some stage.



Can we move into our facility as soon as construction has been completed?

Following practical completion and the certificate of occupancy commissioning of the facility must be undertaken before the unit is operational. This process ensures that new facilities and equipment are ready for occupancy and use, this process can take up to two months.



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