



# Stockton Works Update

## August 2022



### Coastal Repair Works

Coastal repair work is underway along Stockton Beach following multiple damaging weather events throughout 2022, delaying access for coastal repair work. Site establishment adjacent to 'The Pines' enables construction of sand and rock bags over the coming weeks. Works have commenced on the northern section of the Mitchell Street seawall. This work will repair recently incurred erosion at the crest of the wall prior to further seawall maintenance activities, including placement of additional rock bags, scheduled to commence later this year. Temporary protection works will be undertaken south of Mitchell Street and towards the Surf Life Saving Club over the coming weeks.

*The latest information regarding emergency works and beach accessways can be found at [newcastle.nsw.gov.au/stockton-works](http://newcastle.nsw.gov.au/stockton-works)*

### Stockton CMP Delivery

#### Structures

**Status of Seawall Upgrades:** Rocks have been procured and construction tender responses for King Street seawall are currently under evaluation. Construction is scheduled to commence in October 2022, weather permitting.

**Buried Protection Structures:** Detailed design has been received for the first buried protection structure at Mitchell Street, with construction expected to commence early next year. Detailed design is continuing for the structures at Lexie's and north of the Stockton Surf Life Saving Club.

#### Sand

The NSW Government's application for \$6 million in grant funding from the Federal Government's Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation Program is currently under assessment. The three-stage proposal is intended to:

- Obtain approvals and undertake an initial 300,000 cubic metres of sand relocation,
- Obtain approvals required for a mass beach nourishment campaign, and
- Investigate sand sources within the North Arm of the Hunter River.

**Beach Scraping:** The work to create a temporary buffer of sand in June was well timed, as shortly after its completion the coast experienced an East Coast Low. The buffer of sand built by the beach scraping was lost, however, the remaining dune behind held up well.

### Extended Stockton CMP Development

Draft management actions, covering short, medium and long-term objectives, are being finalised before consultation with relevant State Government Agencies and the Stockton Community Liaison Group commences. Planning is underway for a series of theme-based workshops to progress management actions. The Extended Stockton Coastal Management Program will then be placed on public exhibition for broader community engagement.

### Mitchell Street Local Centre Upgrade

Our work crew is close to completing the asphaltting of new road surfaces and construction and landscaping of kerb areas along Mitchell Street. Final elements including street furniture, street lighting and the construction of sandstone feature walls at the King Street and Crown Street intersections are underway. The overall upgrade is expected to be completed by the end of August and planning for a community event is underway to celebrate completion of the works.