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## **Protective Maintenance Work Ausgrid work at Bells Wharf, Vivian Street, Scotland Island**

As you are aware, there is a submarine cable running between Church Point and Bells Wharf on Scotland Island. This cable currently provides the electricity supply to the island.

### **Upcoming work**

Ausgrid will be carrying out some protective maintenance work on the submarine cable at Bells Wharf (see map overleaf), as part of routine works to ensure a safe and reliable electricity supply to the Island.

This work will start on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and should take one days to complete, weather and ground conditions permitting. Pedestrian and ferry access to Bells Wharf will be maintained during this work.

However, if the weather is poor such that waves or wind prevent access on this day, we will work the next good weather day.

### **Working hours**

We will work between 8am and 3pm.

During the work:

- A barge will transport materials and the work crew to the foreshore at Bells Wharf
- The work crew will carry out very minor excavations to expose the cable
- A concrete half pipe will be placed over the cable and bedded into the sand
- All work will done using hand tools and manual lifting (there will be no excavators etc.)
- A diver will inspect the cable beneath the water and also install concrete pipe where necessary

We do not need to interrupt your electricity supply to carry out this work.  
Ferry services and pedestrian access to the wharf will not be interrupted.

### **Access to boats and watercraft**

During the work there will be limited access to the southern side of Bells Wharf.

We are requesting that owners relocate their boats and other watercraft from the southern side of the Wharf, away from around the cable, while we do the work, so that we can access the cable

Please could you do this between 8am on and 3pm on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to assist us to access the cable and do the work.

### **Scotland Island Energy reliability project**

As you are aware, Ausgrid is currently installing a new electricity cable between Church Point and Scotland Island. This cable will improve the reliability of the power supply to Scotland Island. Dunstans Construction Group is doing this work on behalf of Ausgrid. The work involves using a directional drilling machine to bore a hole to Scotland island and install conduits (plastic pipes) through the borehole. The cable will then be installed through it.

Work is progressing and is expected to be completed in June 2020, weather and ground conditions permitting.

### **Keeping you informed**

For information related to the project, you can contact Ausgrid on **1800 604 765** or email **majorprojects@ausgrid.com.au**.

We apologise for any inconvenience this work may cause you and thank you for your continued patience.

Your sincerely



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**Scotland Island – Location of work**

