



Tomaree Lodge Delivery Plan

2025–2027

Communities and Justice



Acknowledgement of Country

The Department of Communities and Justice acknowledges the Worimi people as the Traditional Custodians of the land, sea and sky of Dhurruirri, where the place we now call Tomaree Lodge rests.

We pay our respects to Elders past and present and acknowledge the leadership and generosity of the Worimi people that have contributed to building a new future for Tomaree Lodge.

For more information

Visit dcj.nsw.gov.au/about-us/tomaree-lodge to find out more about the history and future of Tomaree Lodge, and to sign up for updates.

Photos by Jenny Newman.



Priority projects and initiatives: 2025-2027

The NSW Government has committed \$4.6m over two years to support critical infrastructure, planning and site improvement works at Tomaree Lodge. Guided by the priorities and opportunities outlined in SHAC's **Masterplan for the renewal of Tomaree Lodge**, the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) will focus early work at Tomaree Lodge on projects that support five key areas of priority.

1

Design and planning

PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Developing a new Conservation Management Plan to help protect site heritage and guide maintenance, upgrades and reuse of existing buildings.
- Developing Interpretation, Site of Conscience, Landscaping and Sustainability Frameworks to guide upgrade and improvement work across the site.
- Detailed architectural design and planning for upgrade of existing buildings for reuse.

2

Services infrastructure and engineering

PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Detailed investigation and engineering assessment of critical infrastructure (sewerage, water, electrical, lighting).
- Specialist engineering investigation of sea wall, surface and ground water, rock walls and terracing.
- Detailed structural engineering assessment of all buildings to be retained for reuse.

3

Improved community facilities

PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Installation of additional bench seats, tables, shelters and water filling stations.
- Upgrade of public amenity block and surrounding area at entry to Tomaree Lodge.
- Improved connection between Tomaree Lodge and Tomaree National Park, including improved walking paths, signage and wayfinding.

4

Building and open space upgrades

PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Maintaining and improving open green spaces for public use, with better seating, shade and landscaping.
- Progressive upgrade of the Shoal Bay foreshore walk, including better signage, lighting and landscaping.
- Rehabilitating native bushland to preserve and enhance Tomaree Lodge's unique place in the local environment.

5

Activation

PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Maintaining and increasing access to Tomaree Lodge for public recreation and enjoyment.
- Exploring early opportunities for small-scale community activities, micro-tourism, arts and cultural events.
- Establishing Tomaree Lodge as a place for research and education, through partnerships with schools and universities.

Delivery timeline: 2025-2027

DCJ will stage work at Tomaree Lodge over the 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial years, so that essential investigation, design and planning work can be undertaken first, paving the way for building and upgrade work in Year 2. In some cases, these works have already started and some will involving ongoing work across the full two years.

		YEAR 1 – 2025/26				YEAR 2 – 2026/27			
		July-Sep 2025	Oct-Dec 2025	Jan-Mar 2026	Apr-Jun 2026	July-Sep 2026	Oct-Dec 2026	Jan-Mar 2027	Apr-Jun 2027
1	Design and planning		Develop new Conservation Management Plan	Planning Frameworks (Interpretation, Site of Conscience, Sustainability)		Architectural design and planning for building reuse.			
2	Services infrastructure and engineering	Detailed infrastructure investigation and engineering assessment (sewerage, water, electrical, lighting).		Specialist engineering (sea wall, surface and ground water, rock walls, terracing). Detailed structural and engineering assessments (buildings).					
3	Improved community facilities			Install additional bench seats, tables, shelters and water filling stations.		Upgrade public amenity block and surrounds. Improve connections between Tomaree Lodge and Tomaree National Park, including walking paths, signage and wayfinding.			
4	Building and open space upgrades			Maintaining and improving open green spaces for public use, with better seating, shade and landscaping.		Rehabilitating native bushland to preserve and enhance Tomaree Lodge's unique place in the local environment.			
5	Activation	Maintaining and increasing access to Tomaree Lodge for public recreation and enjoyment.							
				Exploring early opportunities for small-scale community activities, micro-tourism, arts and cultural events.					
				Establishing Tomaree Lodge as a place for research and education, through partnerships with schools and universities.					