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## Easter long weekend road closure on Margaret Street

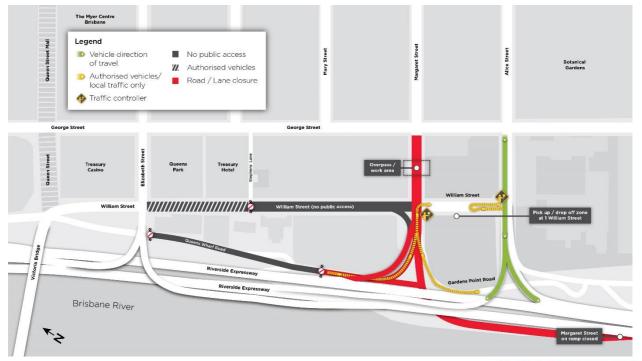
In the countdown to Easter, a reminder that before construction can occur on the \$3B Queen's Wharf Brisbane Integrated Resort Development, three non-heritage buildings must first be demolished. One of these buildings is 80 George Street that traverses two sides of Margaret Street and includes an overpass and structure above the road.

To prepare for the safe demolition of this section of the building in the mid-year, the temporary closure of Margaret Street is necessary from the Riverside Expressway off-ramp to George Street.

The closure will come into effect from 7pm Thursday 13 April and continue until 4am Tuesday 18 April. During this period the 80 George Street overpass will have scaffolding and a pedestrian gantry (safe walkway) installed.

During the road closure, motorists using the Riverside Expressway to enter the Brisbane CBD will need to use the Turbot or Elizabeth Street off-ramps. Directional and warning signage will be in place to communicate these changes.

For more information about traffic conditions or changes visit <u>www.qldtraffic.qld.gov.au</u> or call 13 19 40.



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#### **Queen's Wharf Brisbane**

When complete, expected in 2022, the \$3 billion world-class integrated resort development will feature iconic contemporary architecture alongside beautifully restored heritage buildings, and provide locals and tourists with the equivalent of more than 12 football fields of public space to enjoy. The integrated resort development will bring new life to Brisbane's CBD.

Queen's Wharf Brisbane will reshape Brisbane's CBD from George Street to the Brisbane River, from Queen Street to Alice Street as well as the Brisbane River's edge down to the Goodwill Bridge.

The development will also help better connect our city with a new pedestrian bridge to South Bank, and pedestrian access created underneath Elizabeth Street and Queen's Park.

#### Work over the Easter long weekend

Over the Easter long weekend scaffolding and gantries will be erected around and under the Margaret Street overpass to enable demolition work to continue on the building mid-year. Once the scaffolding is in place and the road has reopened on 18 April, pedestrians and traffic will be able to continue to safely use Margaret Street.

The building will be safely and carefully demolished in the coming months leaving only the concrete overpass bridging beams across Margaret Street. Destination Brisbane Consortium expects to remove the Margaret Street overpass bridging beams mid-year over a series of weekends, many of which will be during the school holiday period when traffic levels are reduced.

The safety of workers, commuters, pedestrians, motorists, cyclists, locals and visitors will be crucial during the project, which will employ more than 2000 workers during peak construction, and more than 8000 once operational, expected in 2022.

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