

# **Facade - Plant Integration and Signage**

#### **Plant**

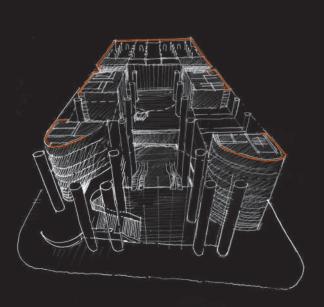
The North Tower is serviced primarily by three plant zones - Level 15, Level 28, and Level 38/39.

The tapering rooftop contains discreet and integrated plant space. The facade system around the enclosure consists of an integrated louvre system with operable areas to the south and to a lesser extent the east and west. Level 28 and a large portion of Level 15 contain plant elements. These floors are also clad with an integrated louvre system that include operable areas as required. This system has been designed to be fully integrated and visually consistent with the standard tower glazing and its faceted geometry.

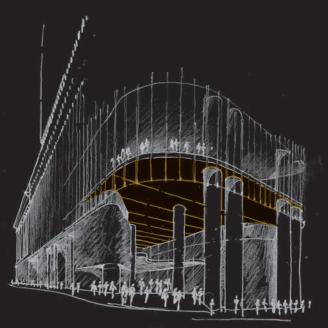
#### Signage

Zones for building signage have been identified at high level where they are prominent and will be integrated into the roof top architecture without impacting tenant views.

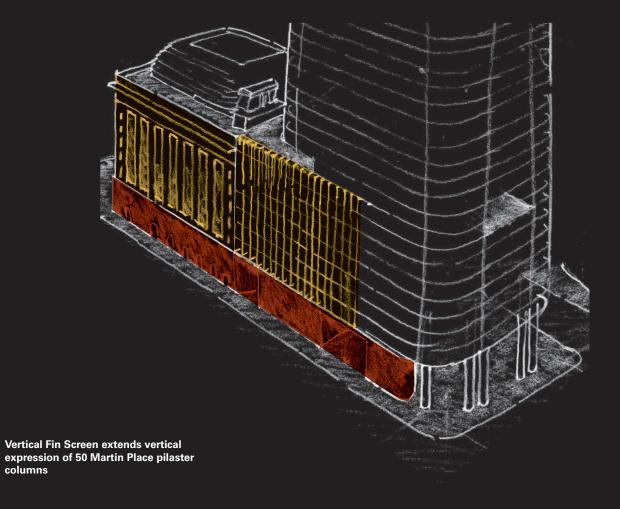
These drawings indicate three potential signage locations. Building signage will be subject to future development applications.



Monumental granite walls extend 50 Martin Place base Columns at Hunter St emphasise tower to ground



Metallic tower base unifies plaza



# Facade Design - Podium

The podium facades on Elizabeth and Castlereagh Streets mediate between the solid masonry character of 50 Martin Place and the faceted glazed curtain wall tower above. The podium expression consists of a granite base; the expressed underside of the tower form, a streetwall screen of vertical fins; and recessed terraces at Level 10.

A composition of monumental sculptural red granite walls form the solid elements at footpath level of Elizabeth St and Castlereagh St. These extend the material and coursing of the red granite base of 50 Martin Place providing a consistent pedestrian experience. Furthermore, the walls enclose consolidated services and egress requirements and the openings between the granite walls define entries to the tower, retail and the station.

High quality shopfront glazing between the stone walls enclose retail and lobbies with glazed awnings and canopies lightly connecting to the base and providing pedestrian weather protection.

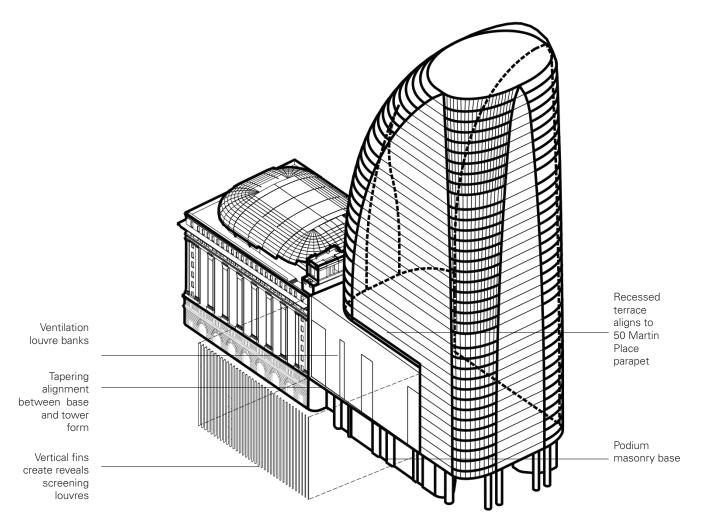
Along Hunter Street the granite walls are discontinued and the structural expression of tower is emphasised with expressed external columns. The commencement of the tower glazing at Level 2 defines a "reverse podium" in response to the neighbouring towers, allowing natural daylight and visual connection to Metro levels.

A continuous metallic clad soffit over the plaza at Level 2 soffit expresses the base of the tower form. This ceiling is continuous across the site from 50 Martin Place to the Hunter St Metro entries and unifies the various public zones. The ceiling forms one of several distinctive and memorable ceilings across the precinct and echoing the prominence of the singular ceiling that sits over the 50 Martin Place Banking Chamber.

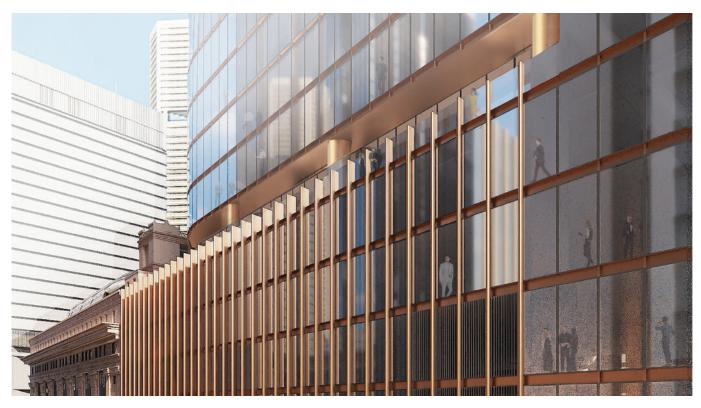
A procession of 8-storey vertical metal fins extend from the granite base to the 50 Martin Place parapet height to manage the transition from 50 Martin Place heritage facade to tower-to-ground along Hunter Street. The fins are connected to the tower glazing and create deep reveals which screen the extensive Metro services ventilation requirements consolidated in vertical banks in the podium facade. The fins commence at 50 Martin Place and terminate n alignment with the last vertical louvre bank. The reducing depth of the fins resolves the tapering alignment between the plot boundary and tower glazing above. The expression differs on Elizabeth Street and Castlereagh Street due to differing service requirements, boundary alignment conditions and side core atria / lift core on the western facade.

Recessed terraces on the east and west facades at Level 10 reinforce the predominant street wall datums established by 50 Martin Place, Qantas House and City Mutual Building emphasising the distinction between the podium and the tower. The podium interface with 50 Martin Place is clearly defined via a shadow detail between old and new elements. A negative infill curtain wall detail allows the 50MP cornice and capital return details to be read from the street.

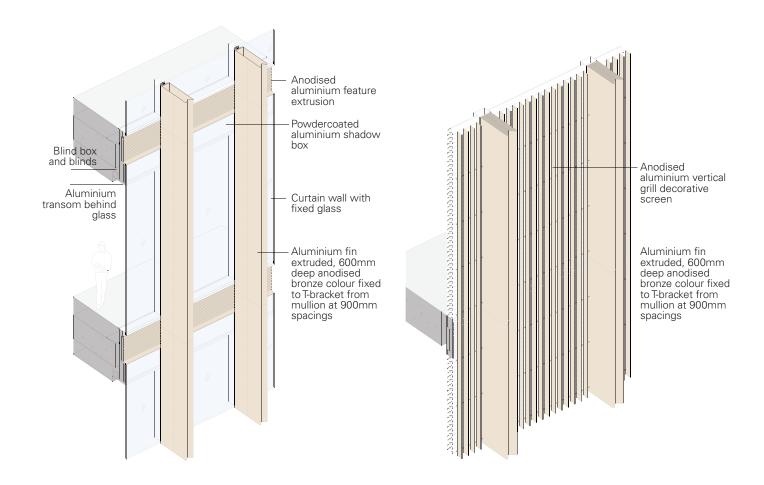
Preliminary sketches of podium expression



Podium facade elements - Elizabeth Street and Hunter Street corner



Detail of tapering vertical fins, recessed terrace and legibility of 50 Martin Place cornice and capital details



Detail of vertical fins applied to tower glazing and louvre banks at podium levels on Elizabeth Street and Castlereagh Street

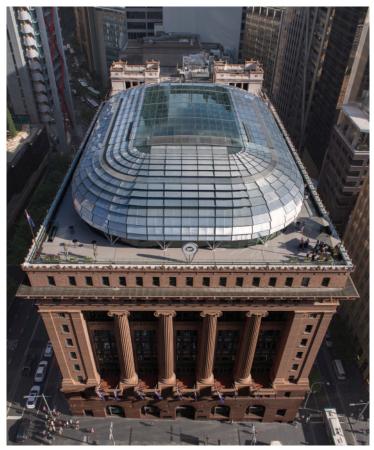
Detail of vertical fins and decorative screen over louvre banks at podium levels on Elizabeth Street and Castlereagh Street



Detail of tapering vertical fins, recessed terrace and interface with 50 Martin Place



**Precedent - Typical Tower Facade** 20 Martin Place 20% Glazing reflectivity



**Precedent - Podium Base and Typical Tower Facade** 50 Martin Place Masonry base and faceted, curved glazed form



**Precedent - Southern Lens and Western Lift Core** Shanghai Tower High VLT glazing



**Precedent - Street Wall Fins** 200 George Street Podium bronze coloured metal fins

# **Materiality**

The North Tower materiality and architectural character respond to its specific local surroundings and broader context in the city skyline. Consistent and complementary materials relate to 50 Martin Place. The South Tower is also consistent and ensures an integrated composition across the precinct. There are four key materials:

#### **Typical Tower Facade**

The primary, curved glazed tower facade consists of 20% reflective glazing and bronze coloured metal framing details which respond directly to the materiality of the 50 Martin Place glazed dome.

#### **Southern Lens and Western Lift Core**

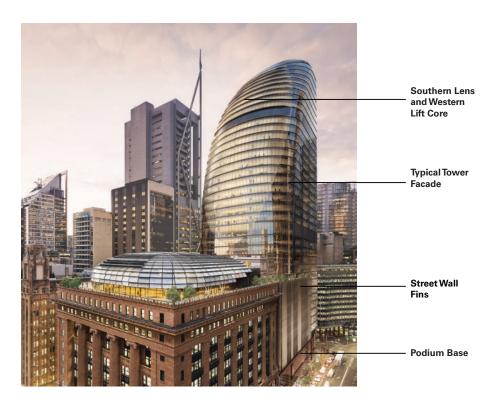
Highly transparent glazing emphasising views and daylight.

#### **Street Wall Fins**

Vertical aluminium fins ransition into the pilaster columns of the Elizabeth Street and Castlereagh Street elevations of 50 Martin Place. A warm metallic finish will harmonise with the warmer hues of the terracotta tiling in the 50 Martin Place facade.

#### **Base**

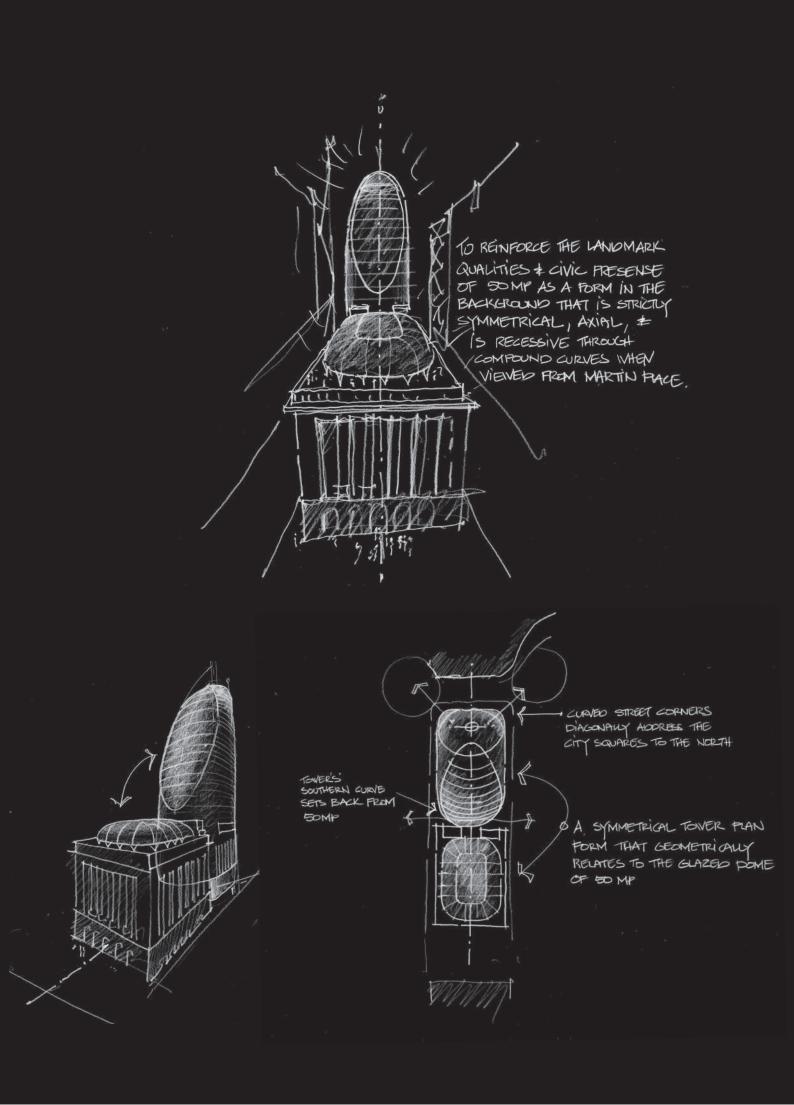
The monumental granite walls and select bronze anodised framing of the North Tower base will match the granite and bronze framing of the 50 Martin Place base demonstrating respect for the heritage significance of 50 Martin Place through the use of complementary and contemporary materiality.



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# HERITAGE



# **Heritage Context**

The North Tower has been developed with careful consideration for the heritage aspects of the site. The response seeks to not only minimise or avoid impacts on adjacent heritage items, but where possible to improve their presence and contribute to a cohesive setting and environment.

The architectural form, materiality and expression of the building responds purposefully to its context which is dominated by the magnificent Beaux Arts 50 Martin Place building. This forms a centrepiece and becomes the inspiration for the precinct. The design has been developed to demonstrate respect for the significance of 50 Martin Place and reinforce its street-scape prominence and independent identity as one of the finest purpose-designed bank buildings in Australia.

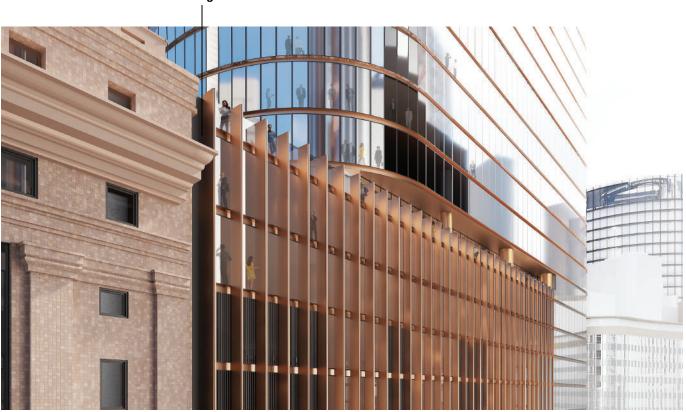
In order to integrate sensitively with the low scale of 50 Martin Place, the tower form of the new building is setback 6m and gently tapers away towards the north, providing visual and physical separation. This space allows views of the heritage lift overruns to be maintained and allows 50 Martin Place to be understood as a distinct and independent architectural element.

The podium design demonstrates respect for the significance of 50 Martin Place through the use of the complementary and contemporary materiality and clearly extending and articulates key datums such as the masonry base and the street wall height along Elizabeth Street and Castlereagh Street. This also assists in reinforcing key street wall heights of Qantas House, City Mutual building and 38-46 Martin Place (MLC Building). Furthermore the interface with 50 Martin Place is de-emphasized via a shadow detail between old and new elements. This negative infill curtain wall detail allows the 50 Martin Place cornice and capital return details to be read from the street as demonstrated in the imagery that follows.

The design also responds to Chifley Square and Richard Johnson Square through curved street corners that diagonally address the city squares to the north. Their spatial definition is also increased by the tower-to-ground form with no setbacks along Hunter Street.

# **Relationship to 50 Martin Place**

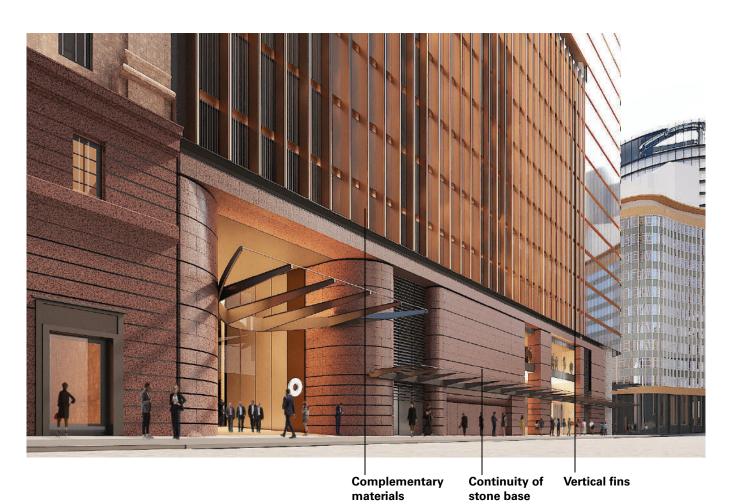




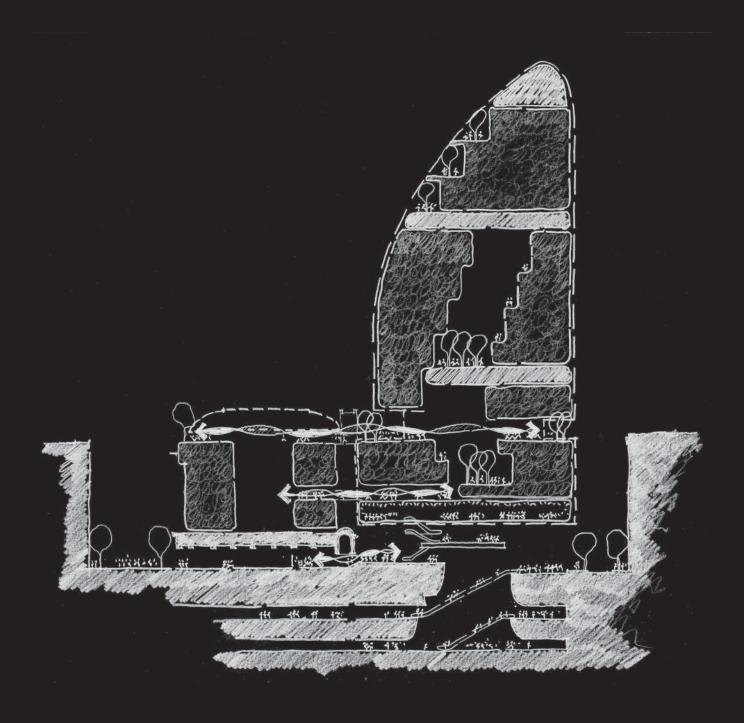


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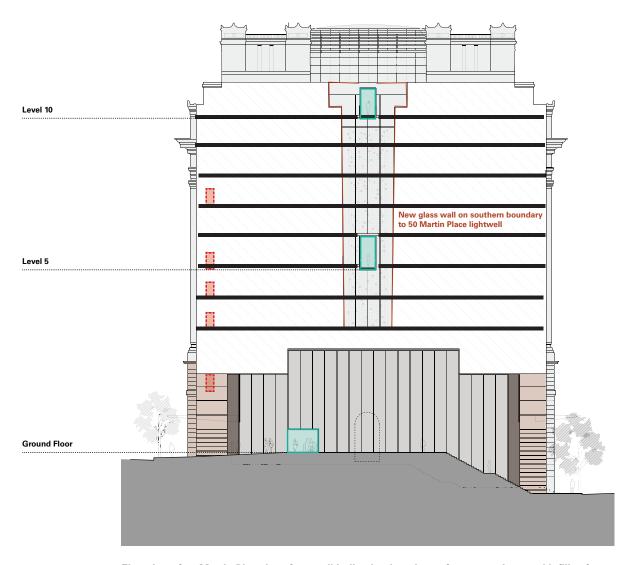
#### **50 Martin Place Connections**

The proposal introduces three new connections between the North Tower and 50 Martin Place to create activity and integration between the two buildings. This specifically responds to Macquarie's aspiration to create a headquarters that includes both 50 Martin Place and the North Tower, as building owner and occupant.

Discreet bridge links are proposed to connect through this space into 50 Martin Place at key "active" floors - the ground floor Banking Chamber, Level 5 office plaza and the Level 10 client terrace level.

The three connections proposed between 50 Martin Place and the North Tower are located within areas identified as having exceptional heritage significance – the Grand Hall and Level 10 – and high significance – the northern lightwell at Level 5. New works clearly delineate the separation between historic and proposed elements through the use of contemporary materials and detailing of openings. Furthermore, all openings are designed to be reversible and minimise the loss of heritage fabric. Glazing is introduced along the full extent of the northern lightwell providing a source of natural daylight for the North Tower office floors. This will visually connect the low levels of the North Tower with the workspace in 50 Martin Place. The 50 Martin Place northern lightwell contains a hanging artwork by Nikki Savvas which will be reinstated in consultation with the artist.

Presently, there are five connections between 50 Martin Place and the adjoining 1967 building at 9-19 Elizabeth Street. The interconnecting openings are intrusively located at the landings of the original and significant north-east stair at levels 1, 3, 4, 5 and 7. As part of a separate approvals process these openings will be in-filled and finished to match the surrounding heritage materials.



Elevation of 50 Martin Place interface wall indicating locations of new openings and infills of existing openings



# **50 Martin Place Connections**



Section through 50 Martin Place Grand Hall indicating locations of new openings and infills of existing openings