Abercrombie Precinct Redevelopment



Modification 4:

EXTENSION OF WORK HOURS FOR SPECIAL WORKS

What is proposed?

Current approved hours of work are from 7:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday and 8:00am to 3:00pm Saturdays. John Holland proposes to extend these hours from 6:00pm to midnight Monday to Friday and 3:00pm to 10:00pm Saturdays for special works only.

It is not the intention of John Holland to work the extended hours regularly on a Saturday, unless absolutely required.

Special works would be limited to the following trades:

- Floor lining & carpet laying
- Plastering
- Tiling
- Joinery installation
- Services fit out including electrical and communications wiring
- Painting

Activities conducted by these trades are not excessively noisy as the tools used are generally small and battery operated.

Why is this necessary?

To finish on programme and reduce the number of people required on site at any one time during the day.

When will the new hours come into effect?

Extended working hours will not be implemented until the basement levels are enclosed and then until each level is sealed by the glass façade.

Working the extended hours in the basements will not commence until 1 July 2014 at the earliest. The current schedule indicates that façade will start to be installed in August 2014.

How will John Holland mitigate against disruptions to the community?

The greatest barrier to sound transmission will be the double glazed glass façade, which is why John Holland does not propose to commence extended work hours until each level is fully encapsulated by the glass facade. Each piece of the glass façade consists of two glass panels with a vacuum sealed space in between, as seen in the below sketch. Sound travels from particle to particle. Through the process of removing particulate matter (i.e. air) from the space between the glass panels, the ability of sound to be transmitted has been greatly diminished.

At this stage of construction, the basement car park and Darlington Lane access ramp will be completed. The basement car park will be set aside as parking for those working the extended hours, thereby providing safe travel to and from site and removing the need for work force to compete with residents for street parking.

A number of restrictions will also be put in place by John Holland, including:

- Works completed in the extended hours will not be concentrated on the southern side near Mandelbaum House;
- Deliveries will be restricted to standard construction hours only;
- Scaffold erection for painting activities will be restricted to standard construction hours only.

