

3 Druiitt Street

The Southern Elevation has solid facades facing the Druiitt street bridge. Druiitt street bridge connects Druiitt Street to the waterfront by a separated structure from Cockle Bay Wharf podium. This is the most direct route for pedestrians walking from Town Hall train station. There is no shelter along the route and limited acoustic treatment. Pedestrians descend down to the water front via a switch back spanish steps structure. There is a single DDA lift which is problematic for accessibility when under repair.



4 Pyrmont Bridge

The Northern Elevation unsympathetically faces the heritage listed Pyrmont Bridge with stairs and suspended bridge structures in close proximity to the sandstone pillars. The pedestrian bridge connects Market Street to the waterfront and western Darling Harbour through convoluted pathways over the Western Distributor. Accessibility is limited by a single DDA lift, and pedestrian flow is constricted by a narrow stair. Remnants of the monorail structures remain as visual obstructions.



5 Rooftop terrace

Entry to the existing rooftop terrace is through a narrow and 'to the side' passageway. The terrace serves as secondary spaces for rooftop restaurants with some non habitable areas. The space is under utilised with limited view lines over Darling Harbour. There is limited protection from noise pollution from the Western Distributor. The development is covered in metal deck roofing.



6 Crescent Garden

The Crescent Garden is a pleasant contemplative garden, adjacent to lobby and retail facilities of Darling Park 1, 2 and 3. The garden offers spaces for outdoor dining, public seating water features and garden landscaping. Crescent Garden is currently under utilised, not visually connected to other public areas and not well known by the public. Crescent Garden is subject to noise from the freeways.



7 Western Distributor

The elevated Western Distributor freeway runs above Harbour Street and Wheat Road adjacent to the subject site. The environment is poor and discourages connection between the City and Darling Harbour.

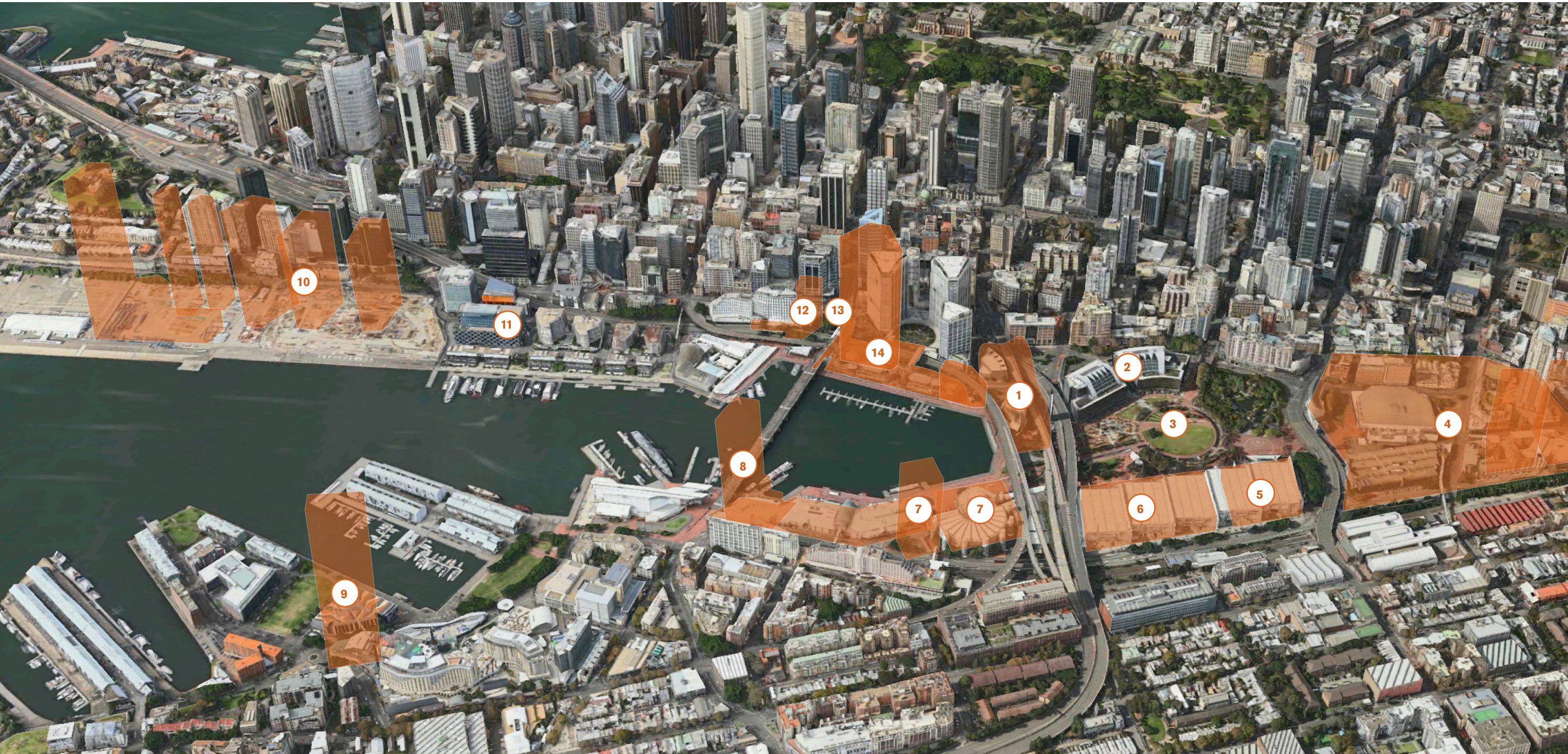
Currently the freeways are crossed by two bridge links - Market Street foot bridge and Druiitt Street. Existing connection routes are analysed in later section of the report.



1.3 Precinct and Adjacent Developments

The Cockle Bay Redevelopment site sits within the context of a significant and recent redevelopment and renewal of the Darling Harbour precinct. Darling Quarter and its associated public domain upgrades and the Four Points expansion are complete, SICEEP and Barangaroo are substantially complete, the IMAX site has an approval and proposals exist for Harbourside and Star Casino.

The Cockle Bay redevelopment will play a key role in the transformation of Darling Harbour into an integrated precinct within the city with highly accessible amenity for visitors, residents and workers alike.





1 The Ribbon



2 Darling Quarter



3 Tumbalong Park



4 Darling Square, Haymarket



5 Entertainment Theatre



6 Exhibition Centre



7 ICC and Sofitel Hotel



8 Existing Harbourside
(New Tower Proposed)



9 The Star (Proposed Tower)



10 Barangaroo Developments



11 King Street Wharf



12 One Wharf Lane



13 Monorail Station



14 Subject Site