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West Pittwater Energy Reliability Project Construction work in Lovett Bay and Catherine Park

As you are aware, Ausgrid is planning to improve the reliability of the local power supply to West Pittwater (McCarrs Creek, Elvina Bay, Lovett Bay and Morning Bay), following extended power outages to the area in previous years.

Ultegra (with specialist contractors) is doing this work on behalf of Ausgrid. The work involves drilling two boreholes, one from Lovett Bay and one from Catherine Park into Pittwater, installing a High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe inside these boreholes, and then pulling a cable through the boreholes and between Lovett Bay and Catherine Park.

Drilling work in Lovett Bay and Catherine Park is now complete and we have temporarily restored both sites for the holiday period.

Next Steps

Due to Covid restrictions, there have been delays in getting the cable delivered from overseas and with school holidays fast approaching, we are proposing to restart work in February 2022. When we return, we will:

- re-open the entry/exit points in Lovett Bay and on Scotland Island
- barge the cable to site
- install the cable from a barge in Pittwater through the entry/exit points and embed the cable along the Pittwater seabed.

The final restoration of the area will be carried out in consultation with Northern Beaches Council. We will contact neighbours and send out notifications to each area, with more specific information on locations and timings of the work including any localised impacts, in late January 2022.

Keeping you informed

Ausgrid will issue email notification updates detailing work locations and dates. Residents can register for these updates to be emailed to them at majorprojects@ausgrid.com.au.

For enquiries related to construction, please contact Ultegra on 0409 736 064 or at enquiries@ultegra.com.au.

For information related to the project visit our website at www.ausgrid.com.au/West-Pittwater-reliability-project. Alternatively, you can contact Ausgrid on 1800 604 765 or majorprojects@ausgrid.com.au.

We apologise for any inconvenience this work may cause you and thank you for your continued patience. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy holiday season.

Yours sincerely,

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