

Land & Property Information Building Adaptive Re-use Concept

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PROJECT FACTS

Project area

Ground and three storeys

Location

Macquarie Street,
Sydney NSW

Local Government Area

City of Sydney

Delivery Timing

Planning & approvals: 2017
Target commencement:
late 2018

Zoning

B8 Metropolitan Zone

PROPERTY NSW'S ROLE?

Property NSW manages the State's significant property portfolio and places, resulting in better visitor experiences and services for the people of NSW.

WHAT IS PROPOSED?

The adaptive re-use of the LPI Building with the demolition of the 1950s annexe and the creation of a public plaza with restaurants and cafes fronting The Domain.

The LPI Building is one of the grandest structures in the Macquarie Street East Precinct. The Building acts as a significant landmark at the precinct's southern end facing St Mary's Cathedral and Hyde Park.

The original LPI Building has had numerous unsympathetic additions and interventions in the last 100 years, dividing up its grand internal halls, and almost completely filling its internal courtyard and light well. The 1952 addition completely closed the courtyard off to the north.

FUTURE USES

An adaptive re-use of the LPI Building could feature a range of public and private sector uses including, but not limited to, spaces for commercial, exhibition, short-stay accommodation and hospitality.

PRECINCT BENEFITS

The government is seeking to adaptively re-use the LPI Building and, by doing so, realise the following benefits for the Precinct:

- improved public access to sites within the Precinct
- improved connectivity through the Precinct
- enhanced cultural facilities
- revitalised heritage buildings

Future uses for the LPI Building should also be consistent with the draft Objectives detailed in the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework.