We’re investing $30 million to restore the market’s historic sheds, securing them as the unique backdrop of the market experience.

Works to repair, conserve and restore the market’s historic open-air sheds are underway.

The works have been accelerated to encompass a larger area of the upper market while we navigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the significant impact on visitation to the market.

All of the market’s sheds will now be restored onsite by 2022, reducing disruption to market traders and customers by around eight to twelve months.

The staged heritage restoration project represents the most significant restoration of the market sheds in the past 40 years. The works are authorised under Heritage Victoria Permit Number P318866.

The market is open for fresh produce and essential supplies

Under the current Stage 3 COVID-19 restrictions, the market is open for fresh and organic produce, takeaway food and coffee, and everyday essentials. Unfortunately specialty stalls under the sheds are temporarily closed.

When you’re doing your weekly shop please maintain social distancing, practice good hygiene, shop for what you need and head home. Please visit qvm.com.au for the latest information.

Stage 1: Sheds J to M

Until around December 2020, onsite works will be undertaken by a heritage builder to restore Sheds J to M.

Works include:
• repair and strengthening of metal elements such as trusses
• repair of timber elements
• repair of verandahs
• painting
• new insulated roofing to improve the temperature under the sheds so it’s cooler in summer and warmer in winter (including removal of the old roof)
• upgrade of services including power and lighting
• installation of solar panels.

Thanks for your patience as we undertake these important restoration works.
What's happening: Stage 1

Work area
Stage 1 includes Sheds J to M (see map below), with works occurring Monday to Saturday until around December 2020. As the corrugated roof is progressively replaced across the sheds, at times a mobile crane will be onsite.

Noise
Traders and customers in close proximity to the works areas may experience some inconvenience. Works are expected to generate low to medium levels of noise. Work is being undertaken with COVID-19 health and safety measures in place and in accordance with WorkSafe and EPA guidelines.

Pedestrians
The works area will be fenced off for the duration of Stage 1. Signage on temporary fencing will assist with safe access around the work site from the market car park. Please take care and be mindful of changed conditions around the area. Thanks for your patience.

Works area

Like to know more?
Find out more about the Heritage Shed Restoration Project and the Queen Victoria Market Precinct Renewal program at:

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