

# Media Release



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## Elephant Walk amenities construction to commence

Works are set to begin on new amenities at the Elephant Walk, Torquay, with construction to begin in June.

The new facilities are expected to be completed by 21 August 2014.

Torquay Homes has been awarded the contract and alternative, portable toilets will be made available whilst the construction is being undertaken.

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) has allocated \$196,000 for the project, which CEO Richard Davies said would cater for walkers, picnic goers and other recreational users of the area and be sensitively designed and located.

“There are currently a well-used public toilets located at Elephant Walk however its designs and condition is in poor which is at a popular destination for families and visitors.

“The existing Torquay Play Park toilets (located on the Foreshore at the eastern end of Zeally Bay Road) – were constructed approximately 30 years ago and are now in poor repair,” he said.

The new toilets will contain 3 male, 3 female and 1 disabled toilet and include family facilities.

The toilets will be sensitively designed to integrate with the foreshore, whilst providing a user-friendly facility consistent with its high visibility and use.

The facility will be located alongside the existing facility and the older facility will be demolished.

Mr Davies said the new block had been designed to ensure the building integrated with the foreshore whilst providing a user friendly facility.

“Sensitive material selection and landscaping mean this option can sensitively integrate and harmonise the built form with the natural coastal landscape.”

The building design adheres to requirements set out in the Victorian Coastal Strategy and associated siting and design guidelines for structures along the Victorian coast.

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