



The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP

Member for Vaucluse



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WORK TO BEGIN ON NIELSEN PARK'S SEAWALL

Member for Vaucluse Gabrielle Upton today announced that the replacement of the old seawall at the Heritage-Listed Nielsen Park, Vaucluse will begin from 1 March 2022.

Ms Upton said “The first seawall at Shark Beach was destroyed by heavy summer storms in 1920, and the 160m seawall you see there today was largely built in the early 1930s.

“However, following the 2016 storm damage, the seawall was deemed to be at the end of its serviceable life by engineers, so major work is now necessary.

“The new seawall will be the same length as the old one and has been designed to both protect the park and enable more people to enjoy this beautiful and unique place to relax, walk and swim.

“At the same time, National Parks and Wildlife Service is building a wheelchair accessible ramp to the beach, improving the stair access and seating benches, slightly increasing the lawn and beach area and resurfacing the promenade walk. A new irrigation system and lawns will be laid and native trees will be planted across the beachfront area.”

As part of the works, Shark Beach will be closed from March to December 2022, during which time swimmers can use other harbour spots such as Milk Beach, Parsley Bay, Camp Cove Beach, Watsons Bay Beach and Murray Rose Pool (Redleaf Pool). More information is [here](#).

Visitors and the community will be kept informed by NPWS of closures and access to Nielsen Park and Shark Bay through the project website [here](#).

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