

Works Notification

Nelly Bay Harbour Hydrographic Survey Works

Monday 31 August 2026

What works are coming up?

Townsville City Council is preparing to gather updated information about harbour depths and seabed levels through a hydrographic survey.

The information collected will help Council understand current harbour conditions, plan for future maintenance dredging works, and ensure the harbour remains safe and functional for the community and harbour users.

When will the works take place?

Location	Nelly Bay Harbour, Magnetic Island
Timing	Works are scheduled to take place between 9 and 11 September 2026 and between 23 and 25 September 2026 , weather and tidal conditions permitting.
Hours	Normal work hours are from 6am to 5pm Monday to Friday . In exceptional cases, work may be required outside these hours.

What will the works include?

As part of these works, Council will use a small survey vessel and specialised equipment to measure water depths throughout Nelly Bay Harbour.

What does this mean for me?

If you live in or are travelling through the area, you may notice increased activity around pontoons, berths and water access points. Minor, short-term disruptions to vessel movements may occur in some areas of the harbour.

Funding

This project is funded by the Townsville City Council.

Contact us

To find out more about these works or the project, please contact us on the details below.

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Visit townsville.qld.gov.au and search: 'Maintenance Dredging at Nelly Bay Harbour.'

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Survey Activity Location Map

The areas outlined in red have been identified as requiring dredging.

The green hatched area shows where the hydrographic survey may take place.

