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New stack for Inkerman

Inkerman Mill's iconic stack has begun to be dismantled this week to make way for a new replacement.

The project will see the stack replaced with a "like for like" steel structure.

Inkerman's stack is about 62m high and 5m in diameter.

The stack replacement is among about \$8 million worth of capital projects being undertaken at Inkerman ahead of the 2016 crushing season.

Site Manager Ken Mackney said the current stack, installed in 1974, was close to the end of its life.

"Principal contractors WDT are responsible for the design, construction and installation of the new stack," Mr Mackney said.

"Demolition of the existing stack is expected to be completed before Christmas."

The new stack, which will weigh about 200 tonnes, is being manufactured in Mackay and will be transported to Inkerman in sections.

"Construction will commence on site in February next year," he said.

The current stack will be demolished in sections, utilising two large cranes assembled on site last week.

The first section was removed on Tuesday.

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