

DESIGNER RETAIL SHOP

SOUTH YARRA, VIC

On a Friday afternoon, our Bay Building Services Major Projects Team were contacted by the adjuster to attend a prestigious women's designer shop in South Yarra, following an electrical fire in the ceiling cavity between the ground and first floor.

The event occurred at a crucial time of year for the client, just prior to the new season collection release date. The owners needed the shop opened, ready for launch for their most profitable time of the year. The loss of sales alone from the 1st weekend was estimated to be \$100k. With a significant business interruption bill, time was of the essence and reopening of the store was urgent.

Our Major Projects Team immediately attended to complete a make safe arranging the electrical secure, removal of contents, floor and ceiling linings to expose the extent of the burnt ceiling and floor joists.

The engineer and building surveyor were organized to attend site that same afternoon, to fast track council approval which could have taken up to 4 weeks to receive. In conjunction with the engineer, we implemented a plan to continue with reinstatement works until structural permits were received. This allowed the team to supply and install new floor joists, ceiling joists and battens with retrospective inspection from above.

By arranging direct meetings with Council representative's onsite to familiarize Council with the works, they were able to push the permit applications through and received approval within 5 days.

The works included floor tile replacement, kitchen bench top replacement, cleaning, joinery units, painting, installation of a double fire rated ceiling and ply ceiling sheeting. All works were completed within 5 days and the Adjuster confirmed that we were able to save approximately \$300k in potential business interruption costs.



RESTORED SHOP

BBG TEAM: Bay Major Projects
PROJECT TYPE: Fire to Designer Retail Shop
PROJECT SIZE: 294m²
BUILDING TYPE: Retail Shop
PROJECT VALUE: \$135k



WORKS IN PROGRESS