Boom gates gone and piling starts

The Level Crossing Removal Project is removing 18 level crossings and building 12 new stations as part of a $3 billion upgrade of the Frankston line that will improve safety, reduce congestion and allow more trains to run more often.

The bells and boom gates at Station Street and the old Carrum Station are now gone following the nine-day Frankston line closure in July.

The Carrum train storage has been removed with trains relocated to a temporary track near Kananook Station while we build a new train storage facility in Seaford. The old rail line has been cleared to make way for the rail bridge, new Carrum Station and McLeod Road extension.

Trains are now running express through Carrum on the temporary track, keeping disruption to a minimum for Frankston line passengers while major works are underway. Shuttle buses are operating between Seaford and Bonbeach stations to connect Carrum locals to train services.

The temporary pedestrian crossing is now open opposite Tregent Lane to provide locals with safe access across the Frankston line during major works.

Two piling rigs are now operating at site to strengthen the ground to support the rail bridge and new Carrum Station.
BUILT FOR BAYSIDE

Buildings and shade canopies in the new foreshore park, village green and new Carrum Station will share similar form and materials including timber and sandstone finishes to bring together the new community spaces and reflect the coastal environment.

Dense planting of more than 80,000 trees and plants throughout Carrum will provide plenty of shade during the warmer summer months and protection from wind, creating places to enjoy all year.

Mostly native and indigenous species will be planted to ensure vegetation grows in the coastal conditions. A handful of Norfolk Island Pines at the new foreshore park will create a visual connection to the beach and a boulevard look and feel.

A new Changing Places facility in the foreshore park will provide access for people with severe and profound disabilities to the great things the local area has to offer, including the beach and the revitalised Carrum village.

This new facility complements recent upgrades to equipment at the Carrum Surf Life Saving Club providing improved beach access for those living with disabilities, making Carrum a welcoming place for everyone to enjoy.

New pedestrian connections across Nepean Highway and Station Street will provide more ways for locals to get to the beach, local shops and public transport.

Seamless connections between bayside communities from Edithvale to Frankston will be created with more than 11 kilometres of new shared paths.

Artist’s impression only.
Weather protection at Carrum Station

The new station has been architecturally-designed for its bayside location.

Six glass weather protection pods designed to provide protection from strong winds, are positioned along the island platform. Each pod comfortably fits about 12 people, with additional seating outside the pods for use during fine weather conditions. The importance of weather protection was a key theme in community feedback about the designs.

The pods provide protected areas for different wind conditions while also making it easy to get to either side of the platform when the train arrives. The two low canopies provide protection from rain and sun in the pods.

A climate-controlled waiting room on the ground floor includes digital information screens for next train information and has been designed with views to the bus stop to provide a second waiting area in addition to the bus shelters.

The design means there is always somewhere for rail passengers to comfortably wait for trains and local buses during extreme weather conditions, while being able to enjoy bay views for most of the year – something truly unique to Carrum.
While works are on, shops are open, and your local traders appreciate your ongoing support.

Pedestrian access and parking in front of local shops on Station Street and the Nepean Highway will remain throughout construction. Here we are profiling some of great food and services offered by local businesses in the area.

Professional pain relief

Being active is a way of life when you live near a beach as gorgeous as Carrum. There’s nothing worse than discomfort in your joints holding you back from getting outside and making the most of it.

Everyone knows that feeling when you roll out of bed in the morning and something doesn’t feel quite right. Relentless pain in the lower back, a twinge in the leg or stiffness in the neck can be debilitating and affect not only your movements, but your state of mind.

Spine & Joint Healthcare Group is a local chiropractic clinic dedicated to hearing your story, providing a comprehensive examination aimed at identifying the structural or functional impairments that have led to your pain and providing you with practical support including tailored treatment plans, nutritional and lifestyle advice and exercise rehabilitation.

Dr Christian Burke founded the clinic in 2011. Christian focuses on spine and joint related conditions and is truly passionate about ensuring his clinic is always at the forefront of its field. Focusing on low back pain, neck pain, headaches and migraines, balance disorders and spinal injuries and disorders, the small team provides a caring environment and is committed to providing quick and effective pain relief, a strong management plan, at-home rehabilitation plans and measurable results to put your mind at ease.

Don’t put up with the pain any longer! Contact Christian and the team on 9772 6307. You’ll find them at 637 Nepean Highway, Carrum.

Ajisai blossoms in Carrum

Whether you’re craving tasty and fresh sushi, a scrummy wagyu beef burger or a bowl of hot ramen, passion for serving excellent and healthy food lies at the heart of the recently opened Ajisai restaurant in Carrum.

The partnership between Lesley and Roger, owners of Ajisai, resulted in the opening of a unique fusion restaurant that combines European and Japanese influences that transform into beautifully presented meals.

Lesley and Roger have been in the food and catering industry for over ten years. Opening Ajisai is the realisation of a dream that has allowed them to share their passion for quality food with their neighbours in Carrum.

They named the restaurant after Lesley’s favourite flower. The ajisai flower, also known as the hydrangea, signifies the ending of the rainy season and the coming of the summer season in Japan. The flower also transforms its colour based on the soil acidity. Just as the flower, the menu in Ajisai will change every season to offer the freshest produce to its customers.

Lesley looks forward to receiving more customers attracted by the transformation occurring in the Carrum area. Stop by Ajisai and grab a coffee prepared by professional barista Lesley or stay a little longer for Japanese tapas prepared by Roger.

Look them up on Facebook and pop in for breakfast, lunch or dinner at 627 Nepean Highway, Carrum.
Changes to your travel

Road
- The speed limit is reduced to 40km/h on Nepean Highway and Station Street in Carrum while works are on.
- Station Street level crossing is permanently closed. Travel via the Karrum Karrum Bridge and Mascot Avenue level crossing, where the traffic sequence has changed to keep traffic flowing.

Rail
- Carrum Station closed until early 2020. Buses will run between Seaford and Bonbeach stations to connect locals to train services.
- Shuttle buses to Seaford Station depart from the corner of McLeod Road and Station Street.
- Shuttle buses to Bonbeach Station depart from 12 McLeod Road.
- Most train replacement buses are low-floor models to assist passengers with accessibility needs. If you need further assistance to travel, alternative transport can be arranged by contacting PTV on 1800 800 007.

Parking
- Temporary parking restrictions are in place on the Nepean Highway. No Parking zones are operational between 6.30am and 9.30am Monday to Friday.
- More parking for rail passengers is available at Seaford North Reserve, Chelsea Library and Bonbeach foreshore.

Buses
- The Carrum Station bus stop for services 857 and 970 has moved to McLeod Road until early 2020.
- Replacement buses depart from McLeod Road and Station Street.

Walking and cycling
- A shuttle bus is operating between Station Street and the Nepean Highway to provide safe access across the Frankston line.
- Bicycle hoops at Carrum Station have moved to Bonbeach Station and bike lockers have been removed.
- We’re encouraging locals to use Johnson Avenue to get to the foreshore and beach due to ongoing heavy vehicle movements near Old Post Office Lane.

The speed limit along Station Street and the Nepean Highway has been reduced to 40km/h.
This speed restriction applies at all times due to the changed road conditions and increase in heavy vehicles.
For the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and workers please remember to observe the reduced limit at all times.

Project timeline

Early 2019
- Ramp opens on Bonbeach side of Karrum Karrum Bridge
- Carrum Station car park closes until early 2020
- Relocation of rail communication cables and services on Station Street and Nepean Highway
- Piling and overhead wiring structures installed for temporary track through Carrum
- Station Street level crossing closes

Mid 2019
- Carrum Station closes
- Ramp opens on Carrum side of Karrum Karrum Bridge
- Trains running on temporary track
- Removal of Carrum train storage
- Ground stabilisation (piling) to prepare for the rail bridge

Late 2019
- Pier installation
- Bridge beam installation
- Construction of new Carrum Station starts

Early 2020
- New Carrum Station opens to passengers
- Works continue on Carrum Station platform, buildings and landscaping
- Direct connection of McLeod Road to Nepean Highway opens
- Works start on Carrum’s new open spaces

*Timeline subject to change
INDIGENOUS HERITAGE INSPIRES DESIGN

During NAIDOC Week we held a smoking ceremony at Karrum Karrum Bridge to highlight designs inspired by Carrum’s Indigenous culture.

We heard from the local community there was an opportunity to represent the Traditional Owners, the Bunurong people, in the design of the project.

As part of the design process for the Karrum Karrum Bridge we worked closely with the Bunurong Land Council.

The diamond pattern on the southern ramp and 12-metre-high urban marker is a unique symbol that identifies the Bunurong people and represents unity.

The urban marker is capped with an aluminium frame depicting wedge-tailed eagles. The wedge-tailed eagle, or Bunjil, is the spiritual creator of the bay. In this representation at the bridge, Bunjil can fly over Country and protect it.

Central to the design is the small amphitheatre, or yarning circle, which creates an environment where the Traditional Owners can pass on cultural practices and values. It is a symbol of reconciliation where culture can be showcased, shared, preserved and passed on.

This work will leave a significant legacy where the Traditional Owners can forever tell their stories and share their culture with the wider community.