We’re removing 18 level crossings along the Frankston line to improve safety, reduce congestion and run more trains, more often. In Carrum, we’re removing three dangerous and congested level crossings, building a more direct road network to reduce travel times and creating new community open spaces.

What’s happening in Carrum

We’re getting on with major service upgrades and relocations before we can start work on the new rail bridge.

Rail power and signalling upgrades from Patterson River to Breeze Street in Bonbeach will help to keep trains running during our works and improve reliability of train services once the project is complete.

Along Station Street, we’ve moved the gas main and our crews are continuing to relocate water and power.

In late March and early April, we’ll be upgrading and relocating the sewer main between Eel Race Road and Walkers Road. These works will be done using a ‘jack and bore’ method, which helps to minimise impacts to the local community through smaller work areas and reduced noise.

Power and telecommunications will soon be relocated underground along Nepean Highway. Your utility provider will carry out these works and notify you of any service disruptions.

Road and rail disruptions

There’ll be changes to the way you travel in March and April – read more in this community update.
CARRUM GOES GREEN

Recently we hosted a Meet the Ecology Experts event in Carrum where local green thumbs viewed a range of plants at different stages of maturity, selected for the Seaford and Carrum revitalisation projects.

The plants were sourced by Knoxbrooke Enterprises – a social enterprise providing employment and training opportunities for disadvantaged people. They’ve sourced thousands of plants for the area and are currently propagating these for planting.

In other planting news, we’ve relocated Carrum Station’s iconic palm tree. The local tree has been taken to an open air park in Keysborough where it will be nurtured for the next 12 months, before returning to Carrum.

Thank you to Knoxbrooke Enterprises for sharing their planting expertise and gardening tips with locals.

Fun at the hub

Thank you to everyone who’s come along to the Carrum Info Hub for recent events.

Next up, you’re invited to an Easter egg hunt and activities to celebrate the start of school holidays, on Saturday 6 April.

Find out more by signing up to email updates or follow us on social media.

Karrum Karrum Bridge works

The pedestrian and cyclist path along the river has been widened to improve access and safety. We’ll need to close the northern ramp at times later this month to install handrailimg and architectural finishes – expected to take about three weeks.

Works continuing on Karrum Karrum Bridge’s northern ramp.

HUB HIGHLIGHTS

We kicked off February with our Indigenous Heritage Meet the Experts session. A big thanks to the Bunurong Land Council for their Welcome to Country and didgeridoo performance.

Our major works exhibit and walking tours around the site showed residents where works will take place.
SHOP LOCAL AND WIN

Last month we mailed out our Shopping Local packs and we hope your new Carrum Trader Directory is up on your fridge and you’ve discovered some hidden gems in your community.

During the April school holidays, we’re running a Shopping Local competition. Spend $20 at one of Carrum’s participating businesses to go in the draw to win $500 in trader vouchers. All you need to do is attach your receipt to our entry form and hand it in to one of the participating businesses. Just look out for the Shopping Local sign in store. A winner will be drawn late April.

A royal welcome

A small family-run salon, Hair Kingdom, has moved in to the neighbourhood.

Locals Maria, Darbin and Cindy spent a long time searching for the perfect spot for their new salon and struck gold when they found the old butcher shop on Station Street. A lot of time and thought has gone into the refurbishment to create a beautiful space for clients.

They’ve been in the business for 17 years, so you know you’re in good hands! They are currently looking for a full-time barber – if that’s you, pop in and enquire.

Next time you’re in the area drop in to say hi or book your next appointment. You’ll find them at 508 Station Street, Carrum.

Parmas, pancakes and more

Zanko is serving up mouth-watering meals on the Nepean Highway.

Casey and Jeff are long-time locals. Seven years ago, they took the plunge and opened Zanko – formerly Trax – to give the community and beachgoers a relaxing space to enjoy delicious food on the Nepean Highway.

With a beautiful son and a baby on the way, as well as their second business Trax in Bonbeach, life is certainly busy – but they wouldn’t have it any other way.

Zanko is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, with parma night on Tuesdays and Thursdays, steak night on Wednesdays and 2-for-1 cocktails on Saturdays! Find them at 627 Nepean Highway, Carrum.

We can’t get enough of Carrum, so our team came back on Sunday 24 February to take part in Carrum Coast Guard’s annual Around the River Fun Run.

Our runners were a bit sore on Monday after the race but had a great time helping raise money for Carrum Coast Guard.
Disruptions

Road
- The Mascot Avenue, Bonbeach level crossing will close from 7am Thursday 21 March to 6pm Thursday 28 March for power and signalling upgrades along the rail line.

Carrum Station parking
While the Carrum Station car park is closed, there’s alternative parking at:
- Seaford North Reserve in Seaford
- Chelsea Library in Chelsea
- The Bonbeach foreshore.

Buses
From now until early 2020, the bus stop (857 and 970) outside Carrum Station will be moved to McLeod Road.

Rail
- Buses replace trains between Mordialloc and Frankston from Monday 1 April to last service Wednesday 3 April for level crossing removal works in Carrum.
- Buses replace trains on sections of the Frankston line from 11.30pm Friday 5 April to last service Tuesday 23 April for upgrades on the Frankston line.

For journey planning, visit ptv.vic.gov.au or call 1800 800 007.

Pedestrian and cyclist
There’ll be changes to the way pedestrians and cyclists move around Carrum Station until early 2020, with traffic management in place. Bicycle hoops at Carrum Station have moved to Bonbeach Station and bicycle lockers removed until early 2020.

Project timeline

**Early 2019**
- Ramp opened on Bonbeach side of Karrum Karrum Bridge
- Carrum Station car park closed 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
- Ramp opens on Carrum side of Karrum Karrum Bridge

**Mid 2019**
- Carrum Station closes
- Temporary track opens
- Removal of Carrum train storage
- Ground stabilisation (piling) for the rail bridge

**Late 2019**
- Installation of elevated rail piers
- Piling works and pier installation
- Bridge beam installation
- Construction of new Carrum Station

**Early 2020**
- New Carrum Station operational
- Landscaping works to revitalize Carrum

* Please note that the timeline above is subject to change.

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