



SUSTAINABLE BUILDING MATERIALS

The station design will use bluestone excavated from the project for wall cladding and retaining walls throughout the Hawkstowe precinct.

Naturally-weathering corten steel panels will be used to shield passing trains from the road below. All materials will be vandal resistant.

GETTING TO AND FROM THE STATION

Drop-off areas and entries will be sheltered by a roof canopy. The design will make the entry points easy to find.

A second station entrance will be clearly visible from the pedestrian crossing for passengers arriving via the two existing Plenty Road bus stops on Hawkstowe Parade, or from areas west of the station.

Access to the platforms will be via stairs or twin lifts equipped with their own back-up power source.

The station forecourt will have a bike storage area, right next to the walking and cycling path that flows through the public space and connects with the existing path network, Simon Creek and Wilton Vale paths.

Taxi and 'kiss-and-ride' facilities will be next to the station building for easy access to the platforms from either entrance.

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Construction will begin in early 2017 and will be completed in 2019.

We'll keep up our conversations with you throughout the construction phase so you can stay up to date with the project's progress and hear about any potential construction works well in advance. This will help you plan your journeys and prepare for any other disruptions.



Cover image:
view of the main entry from the forecourt to the south.

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THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BUILD
THREE STATE OF THE ART STATIONS AS PART
OF THE MERNDA RAIL EXTENSION PROJECT.



HAWKSTOWE STATION PRECINCT

HAWKSTOWE STATION — VIEW FROM THE RESIDENTIAL ZONE



The Mernda Rail Extension Project will build the extra station at Hawkstowe that the community asked for.

Integrating to the natural surrounds and nearby residential areas, the station will provide uninterrupted views over Plenty Gorge parkland from the platforms while protecting the privacy of nearby homes.

With more than 350 parking spaces and a direct connection to neighbouring parkland, the station will be easy to access by car, bike, taxi, bus and on foot.

THE DESIGN

The design for Hawkstowe station shifts the platforms further south over Hawkstowe Parade, securing privacy for residents along Mount Eccles Way.

Moving the station platforms means the elevated rail section will come to ground sooner and stay at ground level for longer north of Hawkstowe Parade. Passengers on the platform will not overlook nearby homes, instead enjoying clear views of the Plenty Gorge parkland.

The station design continues the style established at Marymede station, incorporating similar materials and the same rural-inspired design approach.

To capitalise on natural light, a skylight will be cut into the roof over the tracks, and glazed portions will allow views of greenery from the stairs and platforms.

ARRIVING AT THE STATION

Station entries from the north and south will connect to a landscaped forecourt, spilling out into parkland space that surrounds the area.

A pedestrian crossing will enable entry from Mount Eccles Way, aligning with an informal path at the southern end of the street.

The station will provide universal access for all, which includes the elderly, people travelling with children and people with disability.



Three new stations will service the local community along the new rail line.



Hawkstowe station from Plenty Road.

GETTING TO AND FROM THE STATION



Parking

The new station will provide for upwards of 350 parking spaces.

Entry points

The station can be accessed from the north or the south via a sunny forecourt and is close to connecting bus stops.

Platforms

The platforms have been moved to the south. This move provides views to Plenty Gorge Park and does not over look homes.

STATION FORECOURT AND LINEAR PARK

A sunny station forecourt will be protected from Plenty Road and Hawkstowe Parade by the station building and landscaping.

A shared path running along the rail corridor will connect the station with nearby homes, existing parks and the local walking and cycling path network.

PLATFORMS

The platform roof will provide shelter from the weather for passengers.

Clear screens will allow views across Plenty Gorge Park while protecting passengers from the elements.

The Mernda bound platform will offer views to the distant Quarry Hills skyline, with steel fins partially obscuring Plenty Road beyond.

PARKING

The precinct will provide:

- 350 park-and-ride
- six accessible spaces

SAFETY

Lighting and CCTV in the car park and surrounds will help maintain safety, as will the presence of Protective Service Officers each night after 6pm.



Hawkstowe platform with view of Plenty Gorge Park.