

CAULFIELD TO DANDENONG

Fencing and landscaping program

The Level Crossing Removal Project: Caulfield to Dandenong is part of the Victorian Government's broader Level Crossing Removal Project which will see the removal of 50 dangerous level crossings across Melbourne by 2022.

The Caulfield to Dandenong project will improve safety and congestion on and around Melbourne's busiest rail line by removing nine level crossings and rebuilding five stations at Carnegie, Murrumbeena, Hughesdale, Clayton and Noble Park. The project will also complete signalling and power upgrades and create some 2,000 jobs.

WHAT THE COMMUNITY TOLD US

As part of the consultation for the Caulfield to Dandenong Project, the Level Crossing Removal Authority (LXRA) has been meeting with local residents who live next to the rail line to provide information about the proposed designs for the nine level crossing removals and to ask for feedback.

This feedback indicated a number of residents are interested in details of landscaping and vegetation in the new open spaces that will be created by the proposed designs.

Residents are also keen to know what measures might be available for properties that are close to the new elevated structure.

Current lack of access to the rail corridor makes it difficult to maintain fences in some areas. Some residents have asked questions about how privacy and security will be maintained after the transformation from inaccessible rail corridor into parkland and shared use paths.

In direct response to feedback received through the consultation process, the Level Crossing Removal Authority is offering new fencing options for residents who share a boundary with the rail corridor where the new elevated structure is being built.

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ELIGIBILITY

Fencing and landscaping will be offered to all residential properties that share a boundary with the rail corridor where the new elevated structure is being built.

LXRA will consider applications for landscaping for residential properties that do not share a boundary with the rail corridor, but have a direct line of site to the new elevated structure. These will be considered on a case by case basis.

Residents interested in taking part can register their interest by contacting LXRA on 1800 762 667 or emailing contact@levelcrossings.vic.gov.au

A member of the project team will then be in touch with you to discuss your eligibility for the package and provide further details.

TIMING

Registrations of interest are now open for the fencing and landscaping package.

Installation and planting will begin towards the end of the construction period. Residents who register their interest will be contacted directly regarding their eligibility and the time frames for installation and planting.

FENCING AND LANDSCAPING PROGRAM

In direct response to feedback received through this consultation process, LXRA is offering new fencing options for residents who share a boundary with the rail corridor where the new elevated structure is being built.

Landscaping options including local shrubs and trees, some of which will grow to a full height of approximately 12 metres, will also be made available to eligible properties.





Leagestromia



Waterhousia floribunda



Gleditsia triacanthis

TREE AND SHRUB SPECIES

Residents will be able to choose from a range of local tree and shrub species that can include:

- Ficus macrocarpa var. hillii
- Gleditsia triacanthis
- Leagestromia
- Magnolia
- Pyrus
- Tristaniopsis laurina
- Waterhousia floribunda



Weldmesh fencing



Metal fencing



Metal fencing - lattice top



Metal fencing - pool style



Timber fencing



Timber fencing - overlapping slats

FENCING

Residents will be able to choose from a range of fencing options that can include:

- Metal
- Metal with lattice top
- Timber
- Timber with overlapping slats
- Pool style
- Weldmesh

New fences will start to be built towards the end of the project when the trains start running on the new elevated structures. Landscaping is expected to start around that time as well.



FAQS

How will the Level Crossing Removal Authority determine eligibility?

Fencing and landscaping will be offered to all residential properties that share a boundary with the rail corridor where the new elevated structure is being built.

The Level Crossing Removal Authority will consider applications for landscaping for residential properties that do not share a boundary with the rail corridor, but have a direct line of site to the new elevated structure with no houses or significant structures between the residential dwelling and the elevated structure. The Level Crossing Removal Authority will also consider proximity to the structure in determining eligibility.

Is there a cut-off date for registration?

We encourage people to register their interest with us as early as possible. The project team will be in touch with residents again to let them know of any cut-off date for being included in the fencing and landscaping program.

Can I purchase plants myself and get reimbursed?

No. Subject to their eligibility for the package, residents will be able to choose from a range of tree and shrub types developed by the Level Crossing Removal Authority.



When will the new fences and landscaping be built / planted?

New fences will start to be built towards the end of the project when the trains start running on the new elevated structures. Landscaping is expected to start around that time as well.

Can the fencing and landscaping start now to mitigate construction impacts?

The fencing and landscaping will generally be implemented towards the end of the construction process. There may be some opportunities for landscaping to take place within residential properties at an earlier stage and we will discuss those with residents on an individual basis.

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