

CAULFIELD TO DANDENONG

# LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL UPDATE 02

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## CONNECT WITH US

We know how important it is for communities to be informed and involved in developing these level crossing removals. Check out our website to sign up for email updates to stay involved, or connect with us on social media to keep up to date in real time with what's happening on the project.

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## What you've told us

**Thank you to everyone who braved some cold and wet evenings to attend our community information sessions in August. Your valuable feedback was provided to the bidders for consideration as part of developing designs for each of the level crossing removals and station rebuilds.**

Here are some of the things we've heard:

- Moving forward with the project is vital for your local communities – it's been promised a number of times and you're grateful the project is going ahead. (Quote: "It can't happen soon enough!")
- Having an opportunity to engage with the project in the early stages is important – you're looking forward to seeing draft designs and providing further feedback before a contract is awarded.
- Integrating level crossing removal with the surrounding area is critical – you're pleased to see that urban design principles are guiding each design proposal.
- Understanding how you use your local areas is essential - you've given us lots of information about what you value, including flora and fauna,

heritage aspects, car parking and development opportunities.

Don't worry if you couldn't come along to one of our sessions, we'll be holding more information sessions and popping up at local shopping strips and precincts, train stations and community centres again soon.

Our next round of community engagement will focus on reporting back on what we've heard so far and furthering our conversations about urban design – so we can get a better understanding of what it means to you and your local community. You can read more about urban design on page three of this update.

In the meantime, you can continue to provide feedback via email to [levelcrossings@ecodev.vic.gov.au](mailto:levelcrossings@ecodev.vic.gov.au) or phone 1800 762 667.

# CROSSING REMOVAL PROJECT

## Out and about

**Over the past few months, the Level Crossing Removal Authority has been engaging with communities along the project corridor to understand more about what's important in local areas. We'll continue popping up at stations and shopping precincts, holding information sessions, as well as briefing local councils and councillors about the project.**

The Caulfield to Dandenong package has two shortlisted bidders who are currently developing designs and construction methods for removing nine level crossings and rebuilding four stations along the Cranbourne-Pakenham rail corridor. As part of ensuring positive outcomes for the corridor, we're also working with the bidders to integrate community feedback as well as input from our key stakeholders, including councils, utility providers and government agencies.

So while we've been out and about meeting with the community, we've also been busy making sure all the feedback received so far has been fed back into the tender process. Importantly, we've also established a Community Tender Advisory Panel (CTAP) to provide feedback during the tender stage. Consisting of community representatives, the CTAP represents an innovative approach to involving the community early on in the project's development.

## DESIGNING A LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL

To achieve the best possible outcome for the community, the project team will assess each potential design against a range of objectives and evaluation criteria, including:

- Safety
- Impacts on public transport, road network connectivity and functionality
- Impacts on residential and commercial properties
- Community facilities and local amenity
- Impacts on parks and heritage places
- Technical standards
- Urban design
- Current and future land use in the area
- Location of major utility services and waterways
- Constructability and capital costs.

### Information sessions

Here are some of the locations where we'll be out and about in your community over the coming weeks:

**Saturday 19 September  
10:45am–1pm**

Noble Park skate park opening, Ross Reserve, Heatherton Road, Noble Park

**Sunday 27 September 11am–4pm**

Little Day Out, Ross Reserve, Heatherton Road, Noble Park

**Wednesday 7 October 6pm–8pm**

Greaves Reserve, Gloria Pyke Netball Complex, Chandler Road, Noble Park

**Saturday 10 October  
10.30am–12.30pm**

Clayton Road Shopping Strip (with Monash Council)

**Wednesday 14 October  
10.30am–3.30pm**

Monash University, Clayton campus BBQ

**Monday 26 October to Sunday  
1 November (hours to be confirmed)**

Chadstone Shopping Centre, near Coles

**Thursday 12 November 3pm–6pm**

Koornang Park outside the Carnegie Swim Centre

**Saturday 14 November 8am–1pm**

Caulfield Farmers Markets, 166 Grange Road, Carnegie (Glen Huntly Primary)

Plus many more to come. If you see us out, come and say hello and find out more about your local level crossing removal.



# What is urban design?

You may have heard us using the words ‘urban design’ a lot when we’re talking about the project. In simple terms, urban design is the process of designing cities, towns or precincts.

Urban design takes into consideration not only the buildings, but the way the community utilises and moves around the area whether it be by foot, by car, or by accessing public transport.

The project team has worked with local councils to develop Urban Design Principles. These principles will be an assessment tool for the Government to assess each of the proposed designs.

Information about the Urban Design Principles was also presented at the recent community information sessions.

## What will your level crossing removal look like?

This is a question we heard a lot at our recent community engagement events. To be honest, we don’t know yet, which is why we need your continued feedback throughout the tender process.

When planning a level crossing removal, there are a number of options to consider at each site. These options may include a variation of the following:

- Rail under road – lowering the rail line under the road.
- Rail over road – building a rail bridge over the road.

- Road over rail – building a road bridge over the rail line.
- Road under rail – lowering the road under the rail line.

By applying urban design principles to each of the potential design solutions we can ensure better outcomes for the community, including:

- Better connectivity for pedestrians and road users.
- Improved safety by removing the interface between road and rail (eliminating the risk of collision between trains, vehicles and pedestrians).
- Potential for revitalising the precinct and encouraging community gathering.
- Increased residential and commercial development opportunities, including cafes, restaurants, shops and community areas.

Using the community feedback we’ve received, we’ll develop designs for the nine level crossing removals and four station rebuilds over the coming months. Further community feedback will be sought on draft designs before a contract is awarded in early 2016.

“The Level Crossing Removal Project: Caulfield to Dandenong will not only transform the Cranbourne-Pakenham rail line and improve safety, it will reconnect local communities divided by level crossings.”

Brett Summers - Project Director



IDENTITY: The art of London Underground, London.



CONNECTIVITY AND WAYFINDING: St Enoch Street Subway Station, Glasgow.



URBAN INTERGRATION: The Arbury Bar and Eatery, Flinders Walk, Melbourne.



RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY: Noise wall, EastLink Freeway, Melbourne.



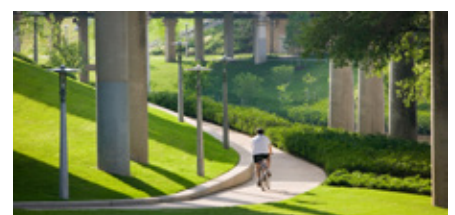
AMENITY: Folley for a Flyover, Hackney Wick, East London.



VIBRANCY: Seart Park, Mt Wellington, New Zealand.



SAFETY: Mitcham railway station, Melbourne.



ACCESSIBILITY: Buffalo Bayou Walk, Houston, Texas.





## WHAT ELSE IS THE LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL AUTHORITY WORKING ON?

In addition to works between Caulfield and Dandenong, the Level Crossing Removal Authority is getting on with removing a number of other level crossings across Melbourne. A contract has been awarded to remove the first four level crossings at Burke Road on the Glen Waverley line and North, McKinnon and Centre roads on the Frankston line. Scheduled for completion by 2017, these works are being delivered by a consortium including John Holland and Kellogg Brown Root (KBR).

A consortium, including Leighton Contractors, Aurecon and Hyder Consulting, has been chosen to remove a further four level crossings at Main Road and Furlong Road in St Albans (Sunbury line), and Heatherdale Road and Blackburn Road (Belgrave-Lilydale line). These four level crossings will also be removed by 2017. Together with the nine being removed between Caulfield and Dandenong, that takes us to a total of 17 out of the 20 to be completed by 2018.

Planning is currently underway to help us understand the best options to deliver all 50 level crossing removals by 2022. We will be visiting communities all over Melbourne in the coming months to make sure we are getting as much information as possible so we can find the best way to deliver this massive project across our road and rail network. You can read more about the project's progress at [www.levelcrossings.vic.gov.au](http://www.levelcrossings.vic.gov.au)

# 50 level crossing removals



### WERRIBEE

- 1 Werribee Street, Werribee
- 2 Cherry Street, Werribee
- 3 Aviation Road, Laverton

### ALTONA LOOP

- 4 Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown North

### WILLIAMSTOWN

- 5 Ferguson Street, Williamstown

### SUNBURY

- 6 Melton Highway, Sydenham
- 7 Main Road, St Albans
- 8 Furlong Road, St Albans

### CRAIGIEBURN

- 9 Glenroy Road, Glenroy
- 10 Buckley Street, Essendon

### UPFIELD

- 11 Camp Road, Campbellfield
- 12 Bell Street, Coburg
- 13 Moreland Road, Brunswick

### SOUTH MORANG

- 14 High Street, Reservoir
- 15 Bell Street, Preston

### HURSTBRIDGE

- 16 Lower Plenty Road, Rosanna
- 17 Grange Road, Alphington

### LILYDALE

- 18 Blackburn Road, Blackburn
- 19 Heatherdale Road, Ringwood
- 20 Manchester Road, Mooroolbark
- 21 Maroondah Highway, Lilydale

### BELGRAVE

- 22 Mountain Highway, Bayswater
- 23 Scoresby Road, Bayswater

### GLEN WAVERLEY

- 24 Toorak Road, Kooyong
- 25 Burke Road, Glen Iris

### DANDENONG

- 26 Grange Road, Carnegie
- 27 Koornang Road, Carnegie
- 28 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena
- 29 Poath Road, Hughesdale
- 30 Clayton Road, Clayton
- 31 Centre Road, Clayton

- 32 Corrigan Road, Noble Park
- 33 Heatherton Road, Noble Park
- 34 Chandler Road, Noble Park

### PAKENHAM

- 35 South Gippsland Highway, Dandenong
- 36 Hallam Road South, Hallam
- 37 Clyde Road, Berwick

### CRANBOURNE

- 38 Abbots Road, Dandenong South
- 39 Thompsons Road, Lyndhurst

### FRANKSTON

- 40 North Road, Ormond
- 41 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
- 42 Centre Road, Bentleigh
- 43 Charman Road, Cheltenham
- 44 Balcombe Road, Mentone
- 45 Edithvale Road, Edithvale
- 46 Station Street, Bonbeach
- 47 Station Street, Carrum
- 48 Eel Race Road, Carrum
- 49 Seaford Road, Seaford
- 50 Skye/Overton Road, Frankston

Disclaimer: Sites are numbered for identification purposes only. Numbering does not indicate order of removal.