

Lift shafts and glazing installed at the new Melton Station.



Melton and Truganina, April 2026

# A big year for construction in Melton and Truganina

The boom gates will be gone for good at Coburns, Exford and Ferris roads in Melton and Hopkins Road in Truganina and the new elevated Melton Station is opening this year.

The road bridges over the rail line at Ferris and Hopkins roads are nearing completion, delivering safer and more reliable connections to the Western Freeway and newly built residential areas.

The rail bridges over Coburns and Exford roads are taking shape on either side of the new modern and accessible Melton Station.

Removing all four level crossings will eliminate nearly 30 minutes of boom gate down time in the morning peak making journeys in Melton and Truganina safer and saving travel time for 73,000 vehicles each weekday.

When the new Melton Station opens, passengers will benefit from improved facilities, including an air condition waiting room and additional platform shelters. We're also creating better connections with redesigned car parks and a 16 metre wide pedestrian through link, providing access to both sides of the rail line, as well as all four platforms.

**Read inside about what's in store. Thank you to the community for your patience as we carry out these works.**



## Project benefits



New modern and accessible Melton Station



Boom gates gone for good at Coburns, Exford, Ferris and Hopkins roads



Eliminating nearly half an hour of boom gates down time in the morning peak



Saving travel time for **73,000 vehicles** each weekday



Improved safety and better connections



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Teams have been painting and completing the sloped sections around the Hopkins Road bridge deck in Truganina.



## Road bridges taking shape at Ferris and Hopkins roads

**We're building new road bridges over the rail line, creating safer connections to the Western Freeway and newly built residential areas.**

In Truganina, the new road bridge is getting close to completion, with facade and railing painting underway in a bright shade of purple. The colour reflects the wildflowers found within Volcanic Plains grasslands nearby.

Works to build the new walking and cycling path have begun and landscaping is starting to be planted on the batters, which make up the sloped parts of the road bridge.

We'll plant more than 80,000 native grasses, shrubs and tussocks around the new Hopkins Road bridge, as well as spreading a native seed mix over 35,000 square metres of the project area.

At Ferris Road, the team installed the last retaining wall panel on the road bridge. A total of 637 reinforced panels make up the facade, each panel engraved with a wave design.

Over the coming months we'll continue to build the main part of the bridge, known as the bridge deck, and the supporting incline structures, known as the approach pavements.

### Sign up for SMS updates

For Hopkins Road text  
**HOPKINS** to **0438 702 491**

For Ferris Road text  
**FERRIS** to **0439 979 482**



### Upcoming Hopkins Road closure

Hopkins Road will be closed between Grand Boulevard and Meskos Road from **9pm, Tuesday 28 April to 1am Monday 18 May** with detours in place.

For detour information visit [levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/melton](http://levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/melton) under disruptions.



The last retaining wall panel being placed at Ferris Road, Melton.

# Construction blitz in Melton

## In January our crews worked day and night while trains weren't running completing important works for new Melton Station and rail bridges.

At Melton Station eagle eyed community members may have spied the four new elevated platforms and six lift shafts, which along with stairs, will provide access to all four platforms from the pedestrian through link.

At Creek Street, we lifted the bridge beams into place, which will allow us to install the rail bridge beams across Exford Road later this year.

As construction continues, we'll need to close Coburns and Exford roads at times to complete the new rail bridges and lower a section of Exford Road to provide a height clearance of 4.8 metres under the rail bridge.

At Coburns Road, the clearance under the rail bridge will be 5.9 metres.

To ensure local access is maintained, we won't close Coburns and Exford roads at the same time. We're taking a staged approach, completing works at one road before starting at the next.

**We'll be coming out with more information about future works closer to the date so you can stay informed and plan ahead.**



**For more information scan the QR code.**



*Bridge beam installation at Creek Street during around the clock works in January.*



*Melton Station is taking shape and will open later this year.*



*Melton Station's six lift shafts have been installed.*

## Free walking tours around the new Melton Station precinct.

**Join a tour to hear about the works to date, ask questions and see what's coming up this year.**

Tours will run for approximately 45 minutes, and every participant will get a free hot drink voucher to a local cafe to enjoy before or after the tour.

**Join the tours on:**

- **Wednesday 15 April**
- **Thursday 14 May**
- **Tuesday 16 June**



Bookings are essential with limited spots available. Scan the QR code or visit [trybooking.com/DKGCW](https://trybooking.com/DKGCW) to register.



# Getting ready for longer trains

**We're delivering the Melton Line Upgrade to boost passenger capacity on peak services by 50 per cent from 2027 - one year ahead of schedule.**

To allow the longer nine-car VLocity trains to stop at some of the busiest stations on the line, we've extended the platforms at Caroline Springs and Deer Park stations, with platform extensions at Rockbank and Cobblebank stations taking place later this year.

To enable new nine-car trains running between Melton and Southern Cross, the new, modern and accessible Melton Station will open with longer platforms to accommodate nine-car VLocity trains.

As part of the Melton Line Upgrade, we're building a new, future-proofed train stabling yard at Cobblebank to house the new trains. The new yard, 700 metres east of the new Melton Station, will enable trains to be at Melton, ready for first services to Southern Cross. The Cobblebank yard is being future-proofed to cater to high-capacity Metro trains when the Melton Line is electrified.



Smokin' Joe's owner and operator Surinder

## Eat local with Smokin' Joe's

**Located off Coburns Road in Melton South, Smokin' Joe's Pizza and Grill is a local favourite serving up freshly made pizzas, pasta and hearty grilled meats for lunch and dinner.**

Known for generous portions and quality ingredients, Smokin' Joe's offers a wide range of traditional and gourmet pizzas, alongside crowd pleasers like ribs, parmas, wings and salads.

With a focus on flavour, value and fast service, Smokin' Joe's offers comfort food done right, perfect for family dinners, casual catch ups or convenient takeaway with pick-up and delivery available.

**Smokin' Joes Pizza & Grill,  
Open seven days from 12pm to 10pm  
1/10 Coburns Road, Melton South  
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[smokinjoespizza.com.au/  
meltonsouth/](http://smokinjoespizza.com.au/meltonsouth/)**

### Project timeline



#### 2023

- Project fast tracked
- Level crossing removal solutions confirmed
- Community consultation



#### 2024

- Concept designs released
- Further community consultation
- Final designs released
- Early works
- Construction begins



#### 2025

- Construction



#### 2026

- Construction
- New Melton Station open
- All four level crossings gone for good



#### 2027

- Landscaping
- Finishing work

\* Timeline subject to change.

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