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**SUBURBAN
RAIL LOOP
EAST**

Box Hill

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE | JULY 2026

We're creating new public open spaces and delivering a new underground station for Box Hill

The new underground Suburban Rail Loop (SRL) East station in Box Hill will be one of the most well-connected stations on the metropolitan network – supporting the area's thriving retail, education and health services.

The SRL station will provide a convenient connection to the existing Box Hill Station on the Belgrave/Lilydale line and will integrate with local tram and bus services. The station will connect more people to jobs, health services and study opportunities along the SRL East rail line from Box Hill to Cheltenham.

What's happening in 2026

Major construction of SRL East is underway, with tunnel boring machines soon to start tunnelling from Burwood to Glen Waverley.

Preparation is underway for the construction of the SRL station at Box Hill. This involves establishing the worksite, removing existing buildings and installing deep foundation supports in the ground within the SRL worksite ahead of station excavation in 2028.

With works underway in the centre of Box Hill, we're creating two permanent open spaces for the community to enjoy, only a short walk away at Ellingworth Parade and Court and Watts Street.

Box Hill construction timeline

- ✓ **2022-2025**
 - Initial and early works
- **2026**
 - Building new public open spaces
 - Establishing worksites
 - Moving underground services
- **2027-2028**
 - Completing the Whitehorse Road bridging structure
 - Excavating the new underground station
- **2029**
 - Station construction begins
- **2035**
 - Trains running on SRL East

More information
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Two new community open spaces for Box Hill

We're building new public spaces within walking distance of Box Hill Gardens at Court and Watts Street and Ellingworth Parade.

Two new permanent public open spaces will open before major works begin in a portion of Box Hill Gardens. These new community spaces will provide places to relax, play and connect close to Box Hill Gardens.

Community and stakeholder input has shaped the design of these spaces. We have worked closely with the local community, Whitehorse City Council and the

Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation to ensure the new spaces reflect local needs and priorities. This collaboration has helped create places that support sustainability, encourage connections between people of different ages, and recognise the past, present and future of the area.



Upcoming works in Box Hill

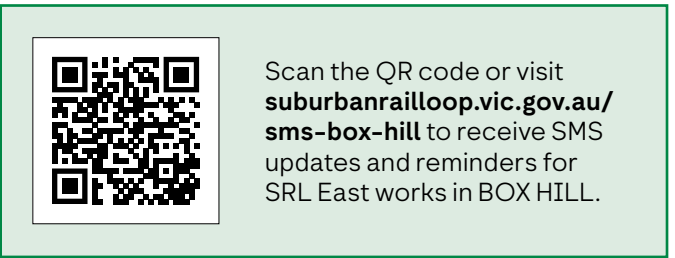
Building and enhancing public open spaces

7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 7am to 1pm, Saturday

Court and Watts streets, Ellingworth Parade, Box Hill Gardens, Box Hill

Ongoing until early 2027

- Earthworks, landscaping and installing a playground and multi-use court at Ellingworth Parade
- Earthworks, landscaping and delivering a nature play area and nature trail at Court and Watts streets
- Moving toilet facilities and delivering new fitness equipment and an aquaculture trail at Box Hill Gardens.



Establishing new worksites

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SRL worksites, Box Hill

Mid July until mid 2027

- Disconnecting services
- Demolishing existing structures
- Installing fencing around the worksite.

Moving underground services

24-hour works

Whitehorse Road, Box Hill

Ongoing

- Moving underground services
- Delivering equipment and machinery to site during the day and overnight
- Traffic and pedestrian changes on Whitehorse Road at times.

Demolition works in Box Hill

Demolition work for SRL East is carefully planned and carried out in stages to ensure it is safe, controlled and minimises impacts on the surrounding community.

In Box Hill, demolition works will begin south of Whitehorse Road at the SRL worksite, before moving north of Whitehorse Road to establish another worksite.

Before any buildings are removed, crews will undertake detailed inspections and preparation works. This includes disconnecting services, safely removing hazardous materials and installing temporary fencing to secure the site.

Once the site is ready, demolition will begin from the inside out. Internal features such as walls, ceilings and fixtures will be removed first, followed by the exterior structure in stages. Materials will be recycled or reused where possible to reduce waste and support sustainable construction.

Throughout these works, noise, dust and vibration will be closely monitored, and controls such as water sprays and physical barriers will reduce impacts where possible.

Each stage of demolition is carefully coordinated to protect nearby homes, businesses and infrastructure, while helping pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles moving safely through Box Hill.

Preserving history on Whitehorse Road

Three historically significant icons of Box Hill will be retained during SRL works. The former Railway Hotel (950-956 Whitehorse Road) which dates back to the 1880s will be preserved, alongside the facades of the building at 948 Whitehorse Road and the former Colonial Gas Association Building at 942-946 Whitehorse Road.



Box Hill progress update



Upcoming works

Throughout the second half of 2026, work will commence north of Whitehorse Road at various sites to prepare for construction of the new underground SRL station.

SRLA is already working with nearby residents and businesses who may be affected, to understand their individual needs and provide tailored support throughout the works.

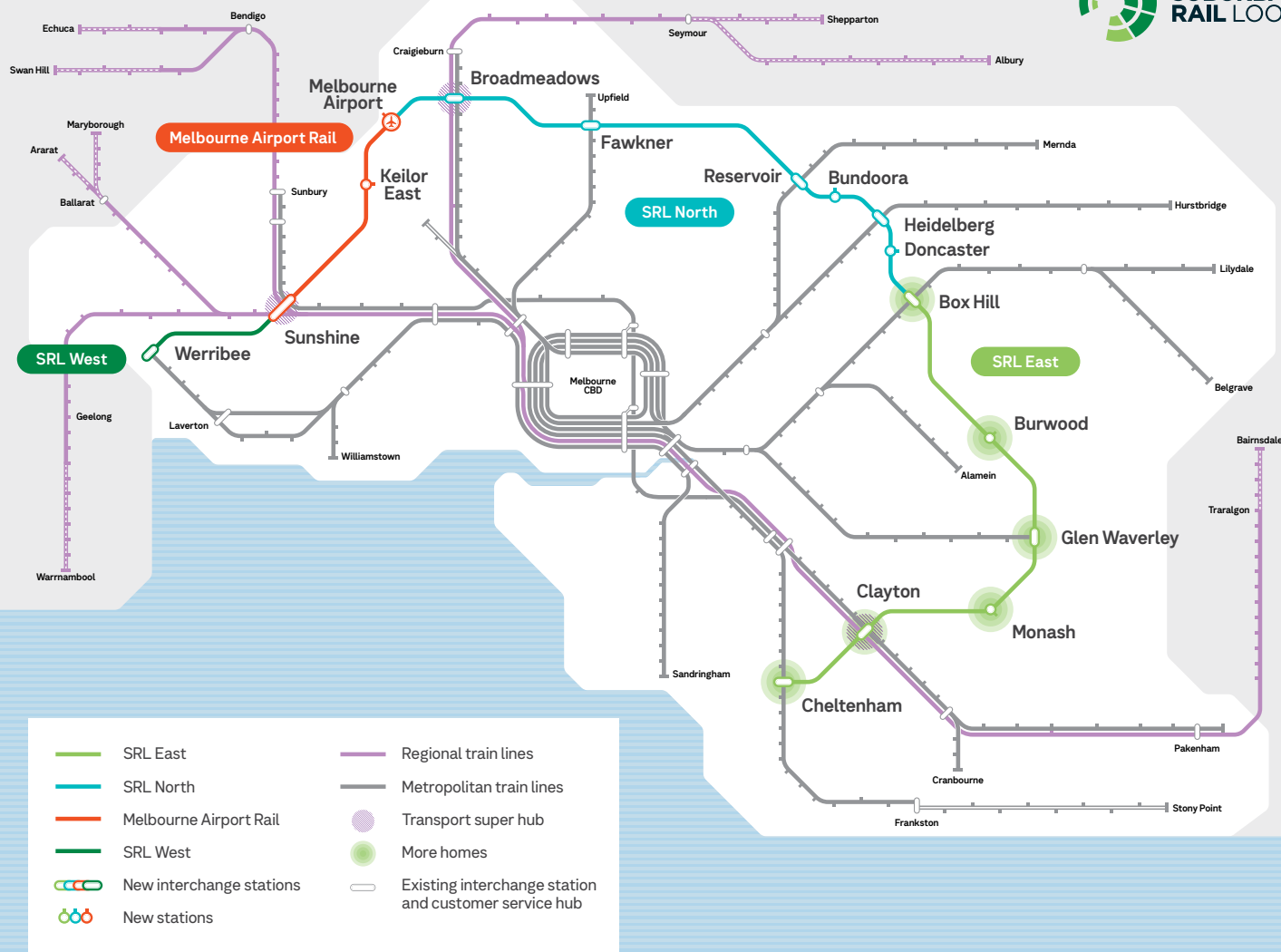


Box Hill still open for business

Nearby businesses remain open while we build SRL East, and there are plenty of local traders to discover. Here are a few close to our Box Hill site for you to explore and support:

- 1** **The Penny Drop**
913 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill
- 2** **Jetts Fitness**
913 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill
- 3** **Butterfly Chicken**
957A Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill





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