



The level crossing at Main Street, Pakenham

LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL UPDATE

MCGREGOR ROAD,
MAIN STREET AND
RACECOURSE ROAD,
PAKENHAM

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We're removing three level crossings and building a new superstation

The Victorian Government is removing the dangerous and congested level crossings at McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road in Pakenham, as well as building a new Pakenham Station.

The new station will include better bus connections and more car parking, with a third platform and dedicated V/Line track to ensure an easier interchange with regional services.

17 level crossings removed in total

Nine level crossings have already been removed on the Pakenham line. While the level crossing removals at McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road are in the early planning stages, the level crossing at Cardinia Road has been fast-tracked and will be gone for good by 2021.

Victoria's Big Build

The Victorian Government is investing over \$15 billion on projects to allow more trains to run on the Pakenham line more often.

Metro Tunnel Project

When it opens in 2025, the Metro Tunnel will allow more trains to run on the Pakenham line as well as slashing travel times.

High Capacity Metro Trains

The first of these new trains will start running on the Cranbourne and Pakenham lines later this year, creating space for 121,000 more passengers a week in peak times.

Why we're removing these level crossings



63,000 vehicles use these crossings each day



Boom gates are down for up to 30 per cent of the morning peak



170 Metro and V/line passenger train services pass through the level crossings daily



90,000 passengers use the Cranbourne/Pakenham line per day



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Early investigations

While we are still in the planning stages for these sites, our early investigations suggest the most likely design to remove these three level crossings would be to raise the rail line over the road.

A rail over road design may create opportunities for local connections in some sections under the rail line, provide increased open space and minimise disruption to road and train users during construction.

Next steps

We're continuing to carry out technical, environmental and engineering investigations to help inform the design for removing these level crossings.

To help us better understand the area's conditions, you might see more workers around the project area during the next few months as we undertake investigation works.

These works will involve hole-boring equipment attached to small trucks, high pressure water spray and a small excavator. There may be some daytime noise from the equipment.

We will let local residents know about these works ahead of time and ensure that access to private properties is maintained at all times.

Site investigations, design development and community consultation will continue this year with a view to complete the project by 2025.

We'll be coming out to talk to the community soon and we'll be seeking your feedback on the project.

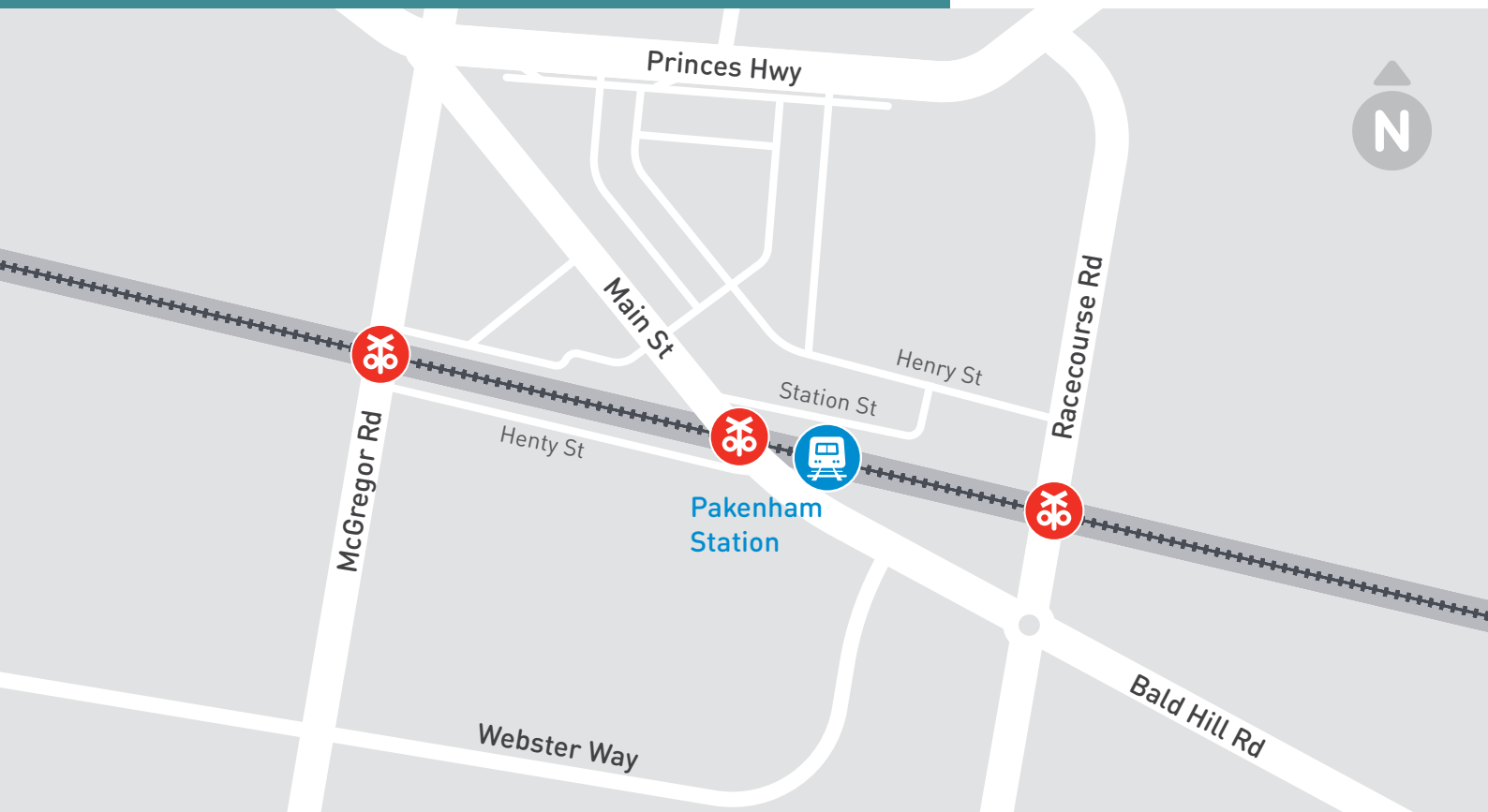


An example of the type of works you may see in the area

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Pakenham level crossings and station



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