



Pakenham, May 2024

Boom gates going and stations opening



Pakenham's boom gates will be gone for good at McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road this month, before the new Pakenham and East Pakenham stations open on **Monday 3 June**.

The new elevated Pakenham Station will open with temporary access arrangements in place while crews continue works on the station precinct.

The new East Pakenham Station will also open with the precinct and facilities ready for passengers including 300 car spaces, boosting transport connections for this growing community.

Check the new timetable before you travel at ptv.vic.gov.au/cranpak

Until early June a construction blitz is taking place with crews working around the clock to demolish the existing Pakenham Station, and finish the 2.5km rail bridge.

With trains travelling on the new rail bridge and the boom gates gone, journeys on Melbourne's busiest train line will be more reliable and local roads will be safer for drivers and pedestrians.

Removing these boom gates will help create a level crossing free Pakenham Line in 2025, which will change how locals live, work and travel.

Project benefits



Brand-new stations at Pakenham and East Pakenham



Boom gates gone for good at McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road



Eliminating more than 30 minutes of boom gates down time in the morning peak



Saving travel time for 63,000 vehicles each weekday



Increased accessibility to public transport services



Improved safety and better connections around Pakenham



Six MCGs worth of new community open space



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Getting the new stations and tracks ready for trains

We're working around the clock until **Monday 3 June** to get the new rail bridge ready for trains and remove the boom gates on McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road.

Works will include:

- removing the boom gates at each level crossing
- connecting the new and existing tracks
- testing the new tracks on the rail bridge and at East Pakenham
- demolishing the existing Pakenham Station
- completing signalling and overheads works
- building the northern foundations for the new Pakenham Station.

When we're done, trains will be running and Pakenham and East Pakenham Station will be open to passengers from **Monday 3 June**.



Colourful piers at Pakenham



Platform signage at East Pakenham Station

Changes to the way you travel

While we work, there will be changes to the way you travel around the area.



Pakenham Line

Buses replace trains on the Pakenham Line at the following times:

- between **Dandenong and Pakenham from 9.30pm, Friday 17 May to last service Tuesday 21 May**
- between **Berwick and Pakenham from Wednesday 22 May to last service Friday 31 May and**
- between **Dandenong and Pakenham from Saturday 1 June to last service, Sunday 2 June.**

Plan your journey at ptv.vic.gov.au/cranpak or via the PTV app.



Road closures

McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road will be closed at the level crossings, at times, for short periods during the construction blitz while the boom gates are removed.

Traffic management and detours are in place for the safety of the community and workforce. Please follow the signage and instructions when travelling around the project area.

See back page about more Main Street and McGregor Road works starting in mid-June.

We thank residents, passengers and local traders for their patience while we complete these works.



Solar panels and skylights on the Pakenham Station roof

Your new stations opening Monday 3 June

Pakenham Station

When the new premium Pakenham Station is complete it will become the centrepiece of the town, creating easier and safer local connections.



East Pakenham-bound access

When Pakenham Station opens on **Monday 3 June**, platform 2, the East Pakenham-bound platform will have temporary stairs. For those who require lift or ramp access, we will be running a shuttle bus between Cardinia Road Station and Pakenham Station.

Works will continue around the station precinct including the new bus interchange, the car park, platform 2 lifts and stairs and the station forecourt until spring.

The completed southern canopy at the new premium Pakenham Station.



We'll also be working on the six MCGs worth of new open space which will include garden areas, a playground, a half basketball court, active spaces and walking and cycling paths. The new open space will open this spring.

Pakenham Station features



450 additional car spaces off Bald Hill Road



Dedicated pick-up and drop-off zones



Improved facilities, including public toilets and a kiosk



Integrated bus interchange



Climate-controlled waiting room



Upgraded lighting and CCTV cameras



Ticket office staffed from first train in the morning until last train in the evening



New Parkiteer bike storage cage and bike hoops

East Pakenham Station

We've extended the metropolitan rail line by two kilometres, and built the new East Pakenham Station to service this growing local community.

The new station will open with the precinct and facilities finished and ready for passengers.

East Pakenham Station features



300 car spaces



Dedicated pick-up and drop-off zone



Bike hoops



myki facilities and a Protective Services Officer (PSO) office



Landscaped areas



Lighting and CCTV cameras



Main Street, Pakenham

Main Street and McGregor Road works

Main Street and McGregor Road will be closed from mid-June while we remove the old rail infrastructure and resurface the roads. We will also build a new roundabout on Main Street.

We will share more information with the community in the coming weeks about these works.



Big Build Roads

Pakenham Roads Upgrade and Healesville Koo Wee Rup Road Upgrade projects will also be working in the area during May and June.

Plan your travel by visiting bigbuild.vic.gov.au/roads



Supporting Pakenham traders

Your local shopping precincts remain open for business as works continue throughout winter and spring.

Thank you for your patience while we carry out these important works. Please continue to shop, dine, and support your local Pakenham traders.

Project timeline



2019

- Site investigations
- Technical and engineering assessments
- Community engagement



2021

- Community engagement
- Further engineering investigations
- Station designs announced
- Open space community consultation
- Early works



2022

- Construction
- Open space designs released



2023

- Construction



Mid 2024

- Boom gates gone for good
- Pakenham and East Pakenham stations open
- Works continuing on Pakenham Station precinct, southern car park, bus interchange, open space and landscaping



Late 2024

- Pakenham Station complete
- Community space open

* Timeline subject to change.

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