



Keon Parade, Reservoir, October 2024

Keon Park Station is complete

The boom gates are gone, Keon Park Station and its car parks are open, and planting has been completed.

The dangerous and congested Keon Parade level crossing has been removed by building a 750-metre rail bridge over the road, improving journey times and increasing safety.

The brand-new Keon Park Station opened in June on the southern side of Keon Parade, with modern facilities for passengers.

A new signalised pedestrian crossing across High Street at the intersection of Hughes Parade, provides direct,

safer access to the station for pedestrians and bike riders.

We've also improved station access with new wide paths linking Johnson Street to the station precinct and through to High Street, providing better connections to local neighbourhoods, JC Donath Reserve, buses and Johnson Street shops, cafés, and eateries.

The station precinct is a welcoming green space with more than 44,500 shrubs and grasses and 200 trees planted throughout.



Project features



Keon Parade level crossing gone



New modern station



Better connections with new walking and cycling paths



New signalised crossing across High Street



Expansive station forecourt with landscaping

Above: Keon Park Station



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Project benefits



Keon Parade's level crossing gone for good eliminating more than 40 minutes of boom gates down time in the morning peak



Saving travel time for 18,000 vehicles each weekday



Improved safety for drivers, pedestrians and bike riders



A new modern Keon Park Station, with access to the platforms via stairs and lifts



The vibrant new station precinct features a landscaped forecourt, shelter and lighting, CCTV, a secure Parkiteer bicycle storage and walking and cycling paths



Improved connections for bus passengers with Route 902 bus stops on Keon Parade and new Route 555 bus stop on Hughes Parade closer to the station



Two car parks with 161 car spaces including accessible spaces and a designated pick-up and drop-off zone

Keon Park is in bloom

We're installing a new art piece called *Dianella Dwelling* by Joanne Mott later this year.

Standing 4.5 metres tall and stretching 3 metres wide, *Dianella Dwelling* is a large interactive sculpture, reminiscent of a gazebo, that celebrates the endangered *Dianella amoena* flower.

An immersive piece, the installation encourages community gathering and interaction with the artwork.

Located on the High Street side of the station precinct near the new pedestrian connections, the sculpture will be surrounded by native plants, including species of *Dianella*.



Dianella Dwelling in the Keon Park Station precinct off High Street. Artist impression, subject to change.



It's a green bill of health for Keon Park Station

The new expansive landscaped forecourt on Keon Parade and High Street provides a vibrant, nature-filled entry to the station.

Over the past few months, we've planted more than 44,500 shrubs and grasses and 200 trees to brighten up the area and support biodiversity.

The landscaping scheme reflects the community's preference for a combination of native trees, shrubs and flowering plants.



Landscaping next to the rail line



Planting in the station forecourt



A train passing new vegetation



Planting next to the rail bridge

Cross High Street safely with new lights

A new signalised pedestrian crossing across High Street at the intersection of Hughes Parade has been switched on to make it safer and easier to cross High Street to get to Keon Park Station.

The crossing provides for safer access to the station precinct for pedestrians and bike riders.



New lights at the intersection of Hughes Parade and High Street

Keon's key to sustainability

Keon Park Station was built with sustainability front of mind. We partnered with suppliers to find new and innovative sustainable and recycled materials.

Some of these elements you can see at Keon Park Station are:

- Parkiteer floor made using recycled plastic void-forming 'cones', allowing for a 38 per cent reduction in concrete where cones are utilised
- Recycled plastic aggregates used in pavements
- Bench seats made without cement resulting in a 90 per cent reduction in carbon emissions
- Tree stakes made from recycled plastic
- Recycled glass used in coloured bus lanes and bike paths.

These elements have made Keon Park Station eco-friendly, and we have introduced creative solutions to implement in future projects.



Johnson Street cafe exterior



Johnson Street cafe

Johnson Street Cafe

The new Keon Park Station is only a walk away from local businesses.

Johnson Street has a variety of traders, including cafes, restaurants, beauty parlours, small grocers, a tool shop and even clothing alterations and dry cleaning.

Located right beside the station on Keon Parade you'll find Johnson Street Cafe, open seven days a week. From coffee, tea and milkshakes to loaded cookie dough, pastries, cake and even better mocktails and acai bowls too, Johnson Street Cafe has it all.

Check out Keon Park Station's local trader today!

Project timeline



2021

- Site investigations
- Technical assessments



2022

- Community engagement
- Further engineering investigations
- Project designs released



2023

- Construction



Early 2024

- Construction continues
- City-bound rail bridge open



May 2024

- Mernda-bound rail bridge open
- Boom gates gone for good



June 2024

- New Keon Park Station open



Late 2024

- Station precinct and landscaping works complete

THANK YOU RESERVOIR AND THOMASTOWN

Free Community Event

Saturday 19 October, 11am to 2pm



Thanks for your patience while we worked to remove the dangerous level crossing at Keon Parade and built the new Keon Park Station.

To thank locals for their patience during construction, we're hosting a FREE community fun day.

FREE

Food, coffee, drinks, giveaways, kids activities, entertainment, and more!

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