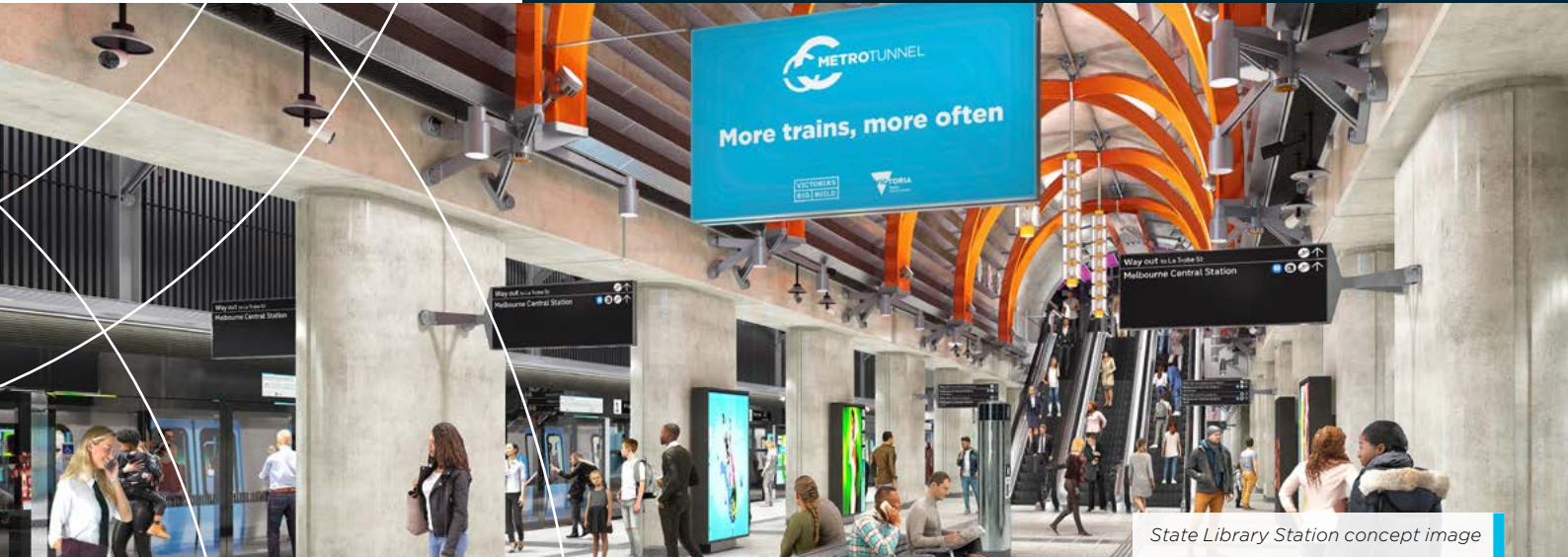




A city-shaping project for Melbourne and Victoria



State Library Station concept image

The Metro Tunnel is the biggest upgrade of Melbourne's train network since the City Loop opened in 1981.

It will enable more services and reduce travel times to key destinations by running the busy Sunbury, Cranbourne and Pakenham lines through a new tunnel under the city.



Construction on **twin 9km tunnels** and **five new underground stations** is almost finished, as we get ready to run **test trains** through the tunnels.

Transforming public transport

The Metro Tunnel will create a new end-to-end rail line from Sunbury in the west to Cranbourne/Pakenham in the south east, with bigger and more modern trains, next-generation signalling technology and five new stations.

The Metro Tunnel is the first step towards a metro-style rail network for Melbourne, with the turn-up-and-go rail services that are the hallmark of the world's great cities.

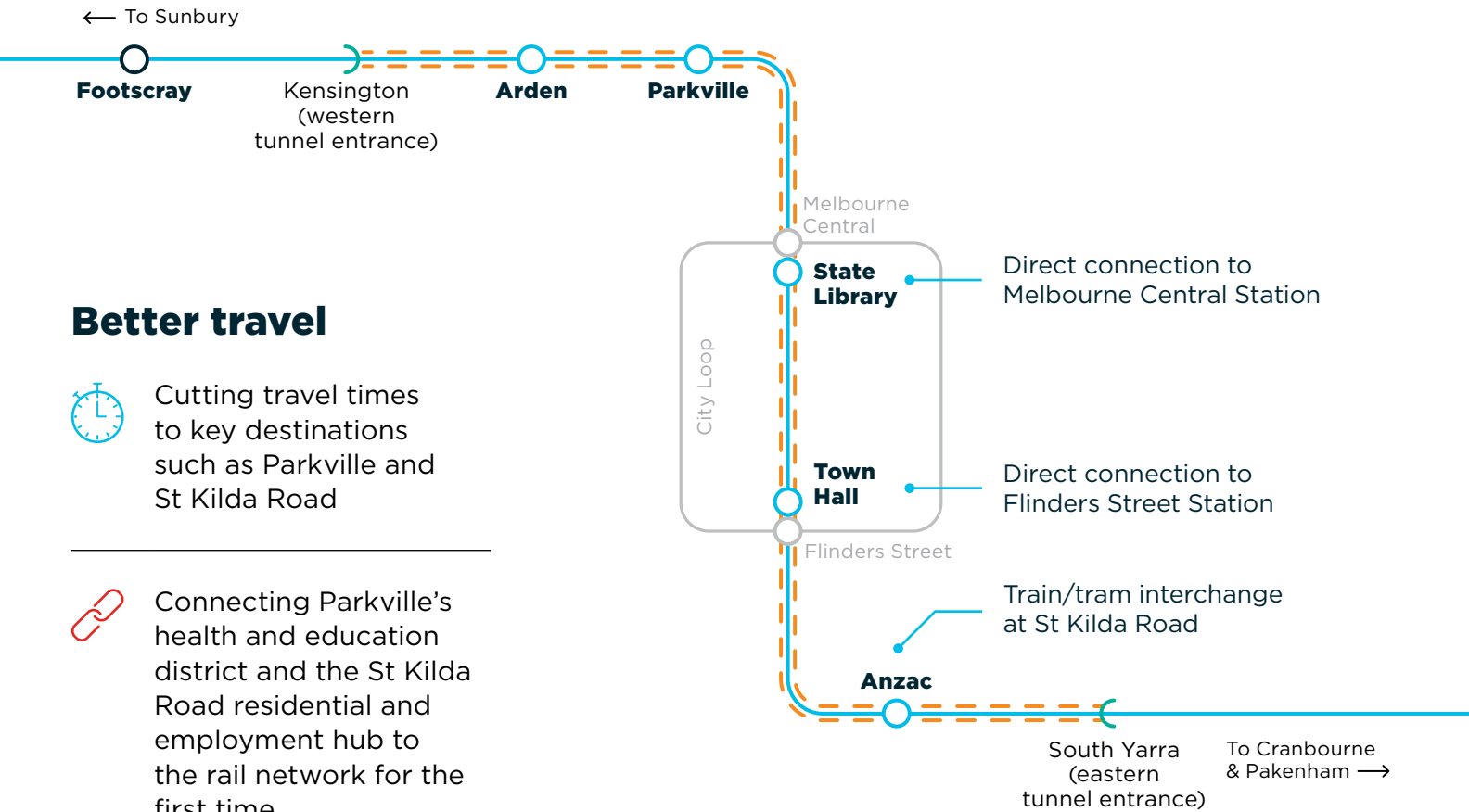
It will give passengers direct train access to new destinations including St Kilda Road (Anzac Station), Melbourne's major health and education precinct (Parkville Station) and North Melbourne (Arden Station).

Passengers will save up to 50 minutes a day on a return train trip.

The project includes:

- twin 9km rail tunnels from Kensington in the west of the city to South Yarra in the south east, connecting the Sunbury Line to the Cranbourne and Pakenham lines
- five new underground stations at Arden, Parkville, State Library, Town Hall and Anzac
- passenger connections to Flinders Street and Melbourne Central stations for easy interchange with the City Loop
- Melbourne's first tram/train interchange at Anzac Station on St Kilda Road
- High Capacity Signalling to enable more frequent services
- safety features including platform screen doors.





Better travel



Cutting travel times to key destinations such as Parkville and St Kilda Road



Connecting Parkville's health and education district and the St Kilda Road residential and employment hub to the rail network for the first time



Bigger, more comfortable trains with better accessibility



Creating capacity for an extra half a million passengers across the network every week



Five new state-of-the-art underground stations



Easing congestion on the busy St Kilda Road/Swanston Street tram corridor

Tunnelling under Melbourne

The twin tunnels were dug by four giant tunnel boring machines.



The **1,000 tonne** TBMs spent more than **18 months** digging up to **40 metres** below Melbourne.

They removed more than **600,000 cubic metres** of rock and soil – enough to fill the MCG **1.2 times**.

What's next?

The five new stations are being fitted out with platform screen doors, lighting, lifts, escalators and passenger information displays.



Track has been laid through the twin tunnels, along with state-of-the-art signalling, communications and power equipment.

Test trains will start running in the tunnels in the second half of 2023.

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