

# Construction update

## North Melbourne

**December 2023 and January 2024**

Major construction of the Metro Tunnel is nearing completion around the Arden Station precinct. This update provides an outline of current and upcoming works in your area throughout December 2023 and January 2024.

### Construction snapshot

In December 2023 and January 2024, works within and surrounding the Arden Station site will include:

- Station testing and commissioning
- Removal and demolition of temporary structures
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) service testing, commissioning and integration with tunnel services
- Electrical substation external works
- Out of hours oversize deliveries to and from site
- Removal of construction site sheds from site
- Demobilisation of the concrete batching plant operation.

Further information on these works can be found overleaf or at [metrotunnel.vic.gov.au](https://www.metrotunnel.vic.gov.au)

### When are we working?



#### Normal construction hours

7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday  
7am to 1pm, Saturdays.



#### Out of hours

Some works are required to take place out of normal construction hours.



#### 24 hours

24 hour works are sometimes required during peak construction activities.

### We are taking a break

The Metro Tunnel Project will take a break from construction on Saturday 23 December 2023 with works recommencing on Monday 8 January 2024.

The site will be secured and security will be on site during the closure.

Members of the project team will be on call. If you have any queries, please phone the Metro Tunnel Information Line on **1800 105 105**.

There may be minor works required during this time. Further information will be provided if works are to occur.

Construction partner:



# Works in your area

## Arden Station

### Arden Station site

Ongoing until mid-2024



- Installation of tiling on the east facing facade
- Installation of stone cladding to skylight upstands
- Modification of streetlighting on Laurens Street eastern footpath
- Demolition and removal of temporary structures from site. During this time there may be periods of increased noise and vibration to remove subsurface hardstand and concrete using excavators with hammer attachments
- Soil and material will be removed from the site via the Laurens Street access gate. All trucks carrying excavated materials will be covered, and water carts and street sweepers will be used frequently to minimise the spread of dust
- Rumble grids have been installed to remove debris from the wheels of vehicles and minimise the spread of dirt on local roads.

## Station fit out

### Arden Station site

Ongoing until late 2024



- Completion of the gate line structure including cladding and wayfinding signage
- Ongoing testing and commissioning of station and integration with tunnel MEP systems.

## Rail tunnel testing and commissioning

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Ongoing until late 2024



- Work inside the tunnel will continue 24/7
- There will be periods when High Capacity Signalling testing will be suspended to allow for minor works within the tunnel.

## North Melbourne electrical substation

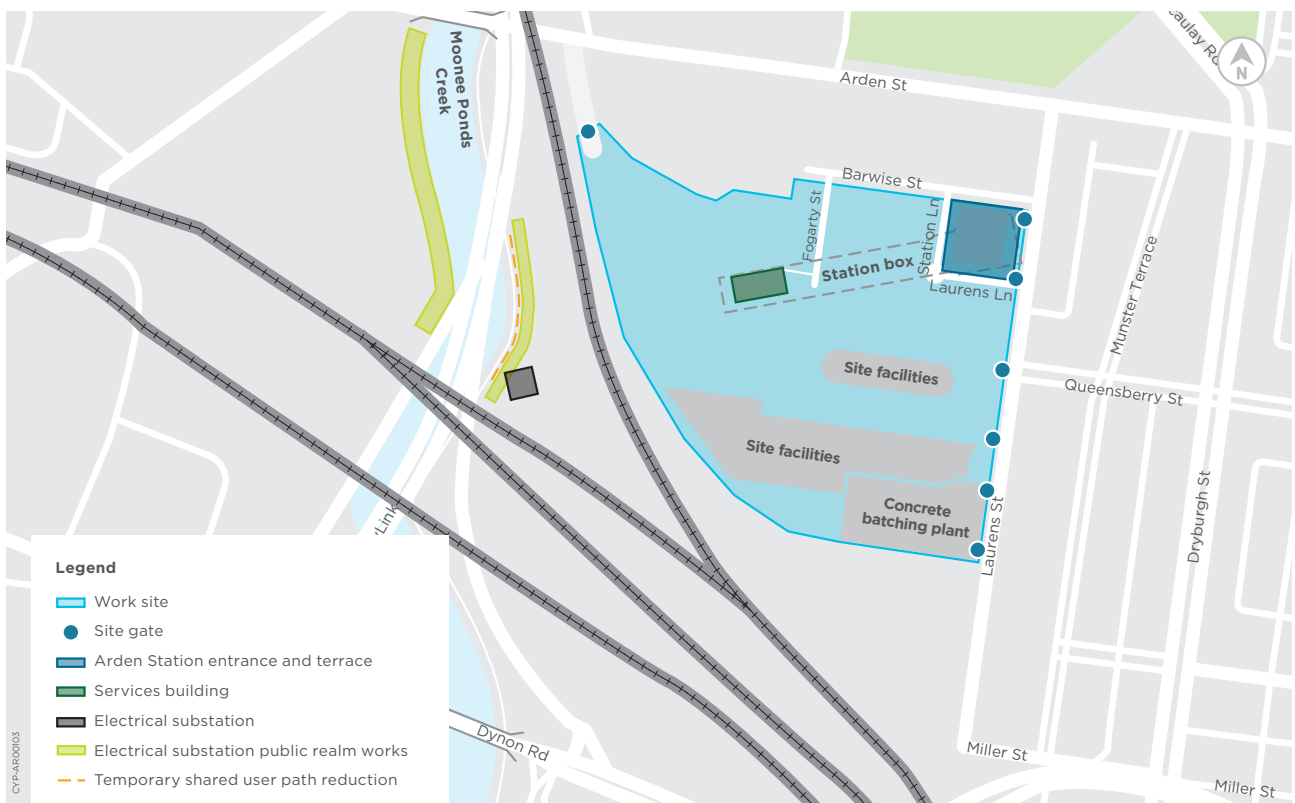
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Ongoing until early 2024



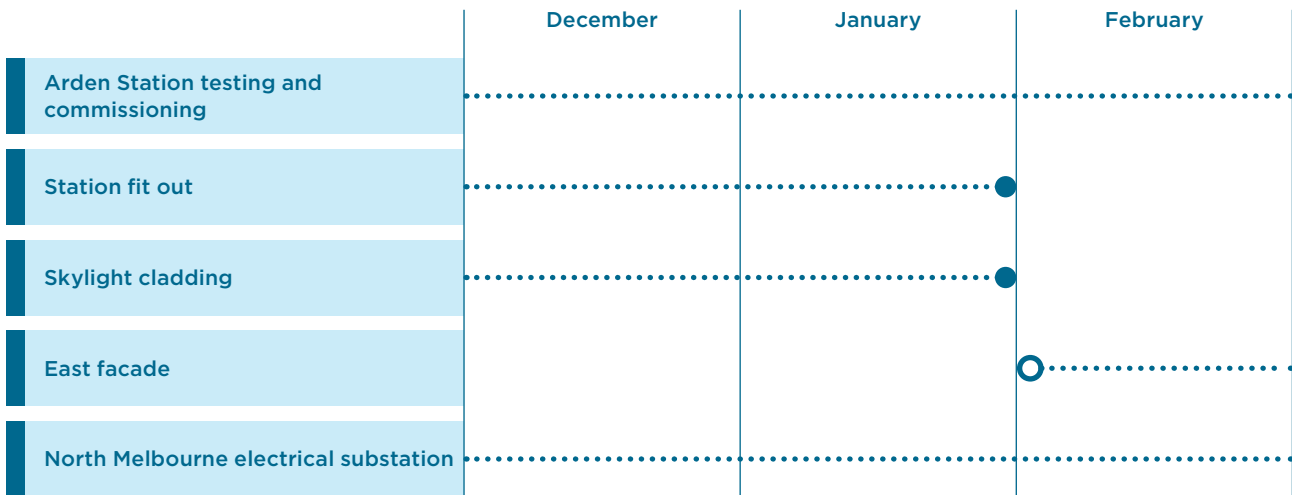
- Testing and commissioning of electrical systems and switch rooms
- Ongoing preparatory works to enable public realm upgrades near the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail
- Landscaping and planting between the electrical substation and the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail and the installation of a decorative screen
- During these works, short-term width reductions of the shared user path on the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail may be required between the electrical substation and Arden Street. This will enable works to be completed safely. Traffic controllers will maintain two-way movements for cyclists and pedestrians when working near the shared user path, during this time there may be minor delays for trail users. Please see the map for further information.

For more information on the North Melbourne electrical substation visit [metrotunnel.vic.gov.au](http://metrotunnel.vic.gov.au)



Indicative only

# Look ahead for 2023 to 2024



Program is indicative and subject to change

## Traffic and transport impacts

- In mid-December, the western footpath on Laurens Street and southern footpath on Barwise street will be open to pedestrians
- In December and January, there may be short term width reductions of the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail between the electrical substation and Arden Street to enable works on the decorative screen and landscaping. Traffic controllers will maintain two-way movements for users via a stop and go arrangement when working near the shared user path
- Up to 150 trucks per day are expected to travel to and from the station precinct. Construction vehicles and trucks will access the site via Laurens and Arden streets
- All trucks carrying excavated materials will be covered, and water carts and street sweepers will be used frequently to minimise the spread of dust
- Rumble grids have been installed to remove debris from the wheels of vehicles, this will help minimise the spread of dirt on local roads.

## Business support

While the new Arden Station will be a significant boost for the local area, construction activities can impact local businesses.


In response to this, our Business Support Team assists businesses through the disruption and any permanent changes that will take place.

Please see the promotion in this notification for **Haymarket Cafe**, located at 212 Berkeley St, Carlton.

We look forward to promoting more local businesses as the project continues.

## More information

 [metrotunnel.vic.gov.au](http://metrotunnel.vic.gov.au)

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