Construction update



State Library Station

June 2024

Construction of the Metro Tunnel Project's State Library Station has entered a new phase, including works on the main station entrance, fit-out of the underground station and reinstatement of community space. The Metro Tunnel opens in 2025 and 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, and five new stations.

Works snapshot: June

Construction works within the State Library Station precinct during June 2024 include:

- Main station entrance construction and underground build-out works at the La Trobe, A'Beckett and Franklin Street sites
- Construction of service buildings at the Little La Trobe site
- Construction and fit-out of the underground passenger connection to Melbourne Central Station
- Franklin Street East shed removal
- Removal of the Swanston Street concrete pump
- Kerb widening works at the north-east corner of Swanston and La Trobe streets.

Further information on these works can be found overleaf or at **metrotunnel.vic.gov.au**

Business support

While the new State Library 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 C9 Chocolate & Gelato, located at 397 Swanston Street, Melbourne. We look forward to promoting more local businesses as the project progresses.



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When are we working?



Normal construction hours

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

Out of hours

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



24 hours

24 hour works are sometimes required during peak construction activities



Concept only - State Library Station main entrance

Upcoming works in your area

La Trobe Street site

24-hours, Monday to Friday 7am to 12am, Saturdays and Sundays

Little La Trobe Street southern footpath closures 10pm to 6am, Monday to Sunday from mid-June For up to 3 weeks

When State Library Station opens, the main station entrance on Swanston Street will lead into an expansive underground passenger foyer, with lifts and escalators transporting passengers down to the customer and ticketing area, towards the train platforms.

Works being undertaken over the next month includes:

- Construction of the main entrance including floors, walls and columns which involves the use of a crawler crane, elevated work platforms, forklifts, generators, concrete pumps, and other tools and equipment to undertake steel fixing, waterproofing, formwork installation and concrete pours
- Concrete pours involve regular deliveries, the use of concrete trucks, concrete pumps and concrete finishing equipment
- Major concrete pours can take between 10-20 hours with all concrete pumps in use to achieve the volume of concrete required, including mobile pumps on site. Concrete pours must be continuous to ensure structural integrity and therefore may continue outside of normal construction hours
- Utilities works are ongoing within the existing La Trobe Street eastbound closure. This involves excavation using a vacuum truck, installation of water and drainage services, including a large gross pollutant trap (GPT), connection of new services to the existing network and disconnection of redundant services. It is likely that there will be some disruption to services. Impacted stakeholders will be contacted directly
- Intermittent overnight closures of the Little La Trobe Street southern footpath, adjacent to the La Trobe

Street site, are required to facilitate overhead works and changes to the site hoarding (see map)

- Ventilation equipment operation will be required during all works below ground, and site lighting will be required for evening and overnight works
- Regular truck movements to deliver and remove equipment and construction materials are required
- Some works at the La Trobe Street site will generate high levels of noise. Please contact the project team if you have any concerns.

Swanston Street site reconfiguration works



24-hours, Monday to Friday 7am to 12am, Saturdays and Sundays

Swanston Street concrete pump removal 10pm to 6am, Monday to Friday for five days, from Monday 3 June (or until the work is complete)

Kerb extension works on north-east corner of La Trobe and Swanston streets 24-hours, Monday to Saturday, until late June (or until works are complete)

Swanston Street northbound and southbound bicycle lane closures

10pm to 6am, Monday to Saturday, until late June (or until works are complete)

To support a program of critical works to construct the station entrance, site reconfiguration works will take place at Swanston Street, adjacent to the site.

This includes removal of the Swanston Street concrete pump, implementing a long-term pedestrian detour, and widening the pedestrian kerb on the north-east corner of La Trobe and Swanston streets.

To carry out these works, the following arrangements will be in place:



- As previously advised in a separate work notice, during concrete pump removal works, the Swanston Street western footpath adjacent to the La Trobe Street site and the northbound bike lane between La Trobe and Little La Trobe streets will close from 10pm to 6am each night, Monday 3 June to Friday 7 June, or until works are complete (see map)
- During night works, cyclists travelling northbound on Swanston Street will be required to dismount and use the eastern Swanston Street footpath to continue their journey (see map)
- To support kerb extension works on the north-east corner of La Trobe and Swanston streets, a partial footpath closure on the Swanston Street eastern footpath is currently in place with pedestrian access maintained (see map)
- Motorists travelling southbound on Swanston Street are currently unable to turn left onto La Trobe Street. A temporary hook turn is in place, allowing motorists to exit Swanston Street by turning right onto La Trobe Street (see map)
- The Swanston Street pedestrian crossing on the north side of La Trobe Street is no longer in use. The Swanston Street pedestrian crossing on the south side of La Trobe Street will continue to operate under the new arrangement (see map)
- A long-term partial footpath closure on the Swanston Street western footpath adjacent to the La Trobe Street site will be in place from mid-June
- Access for motorists travelling on Swanston Street will be maintained during site reconfiguration works. Any long-term changes to motorist access will be communicated separately
- Access to businesses, RMIT and residential buildings will be maintained at all times.

Melbourne Central Station



7am to 6pm, Monday to Fridays

- Construction and fit-out of the underground passenger connection between the new State Library Station and Melbourne Central Station
- Works include service relocations and fit-out works around the escalators, including steelworks, cladding, tiling and finishes

Little La Trobe Street site

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

Road closure of Little La Trobe Street 24-hours, Monday to Sunday, ongoing

Works continue to build the above ground structures that will provide critical cooling towers required for final power energisation and station operation.

To support these critical works, a long-term closure of Little La Trobe Street directly adjacent to the work sites is now in place. Motorist access into Little La Trobe Street and Literature Lane is maintained via Elizabeth Street (see map).

Non-Metro Tunnel works are continuing under a northbound lane closure on Elizabeth Street. Motorist access to Little La Trobe Street during these works will be from a southbound direction only. Key activities taking place during this closure include:

- Aboveground structure works involving the use of trucks, cranes, elevated work platforms, rattle guns and hand tools, and other tools and equipment required for the delivery and installation of roof steel and sheeting, cladding and glazing for building façades and installation of acoustic and external louvres
- Use of a mobile crane on the road, within the road closure
- A partial closure of Literature Lane adjacent to the work site will be in place for scaffold installation. Once installed, the scaffold is expected to be in place for up to five months (see map).

A'Beckett Street site



24-hours, Monday to Sundays, ongoing

- Works continue on the construction and fit-out of the lower station passenger areas and operational rooms including steel and concrete deliveries, unloading of materials within the A'Beckett Street acoustic shed, use of a mobile crane, trucks and hand tools
- Concrete pours at this site are ongoing.

Franklin Street sites



24-hours, Monday to Sunday, ongoing

Franklin Street westbound road closure 24-hours, ongoing

Franklin Street East shed demobilisation and capping beam removal under northern and southern footpath closures between Swanston and Victoria streets 6am to 1am, Monday to Saturday, ongoing

Franklin Street West capping beam removal under a southern footpath closure between Swanston and Stewart streets

6am to 6pm Monday to Saturday, from mid-June for up to 6 weeks

Road closure of Stewart Street while a crane is in use 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday, from mid-June for up to 5 days

Works continue to build a station entrance on Franklin Street, and construct and fit-out the station passenger areas and operational rooms, as well as aboveground ancillary structures.

- These works include steel tying, waterproofing and concreting to construct slabs and walls, as well as fit-out, mechanical, electrical and plant works
- Delivery of steel and concrete using trucks and unloading materials within the acoustic sheds is ongoing. Truck access to the Franklin Street East site is from Victoria and Swanston streets. Stop and hold arrangements are in place
- Works to demobilise the acoustic shed at the Franklin Street East site, involving the removal the acoustic shed panels and the steel frame using rattle guns, power tools, hand tools, elevated work platforms, trucks and cranes is nearing completion
- Following Franklin Street East shed demobilisation, site hoarding will be removed, and water filled barriers will be installed in its place





- Closures of the southern and northern footpaths adjacent to the Franklin Street East site are required for the removal of the shed and capping beams (see map)
- Local access arrangements during shed demobilisation works have been established with impacted stakeholders
- Traffic management will be in place to safely guide pedestrians around the work area and provide DDA ramp access to Melbourne City Baths
- Partial footpath closures on Swanston Street will be in place, adjacent to the Franklin Street sites for capping beam removal (see map)
- Aboveground structure works and works to remove a capping beam underneath the road surface will take place within the existing Franklin Street westbound road closure. These works will also require the closure of the Franklin Street southern footpath between Swanston and Stewart streets and are expected to commence in mid-June (see map)
- Intermittent road closures of Stewart Street are required from mid-June while a mobile crane is on the road. Motorist access to Stewart Street and A'Beckett Tower during closures is maintained via A'Beckett Street (see map).

Groundwater monitoring

Victoria, Franklin, Swanston and Therry streets



Monday to Fridays, 7pm to 5am under lane closure (as required)

 Intermittent testing of previously installed groundwater wells on Victoria, Franklin, Swanston and Therry streets on the road and footpath is ongoing

- This involves setting up small, localised traffic controls on footpaths and overnight lane closures with traffic management in place
- These works will generate low levels of noise

Oversize deliveries

All sites

10pm to 7am, ongoing

- In addition to regular deliveries to site, out of hours deliveries will occur intermittently to minimise traffic disruption and to ensure the safety of the public and our workers.

La Trobe Street eastbound

As major construction continues at State Library Station, La Trobe Street eastbound will remain closed to traffic between Elizabeth and Swanston streets, until late 2024 as per current arrangements.

We thank the community for their patience during this long-term closure.



Works area map



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