

# Delivering a Sunshine Station superhub for the west



*Sunshine Station will connect people to the city, the regions and the world via Melbourne Airport Rail (concept image)*

## Sunshine Precinct Masterplan

Building on the upgrades being delivered through Melbourne Airport Rail (SRL Airport), the Department of Transport has developed a Sunshine Precinct Masterplan to guide change and investment in the land surrounding the station and provide clear direction on the long-term development of the precinct.

The Masterplan has been informed by community and stakeholder engagement. Public engagement on the principles to inform the Masterplan and then the key project ideas in the Masterplan was undertaken in August 2021 and April 2022 respectively.

The projects outlined in the Sunshine Precinct Masterplan are critical to catalyse development of the Sunshine Precinct.

\$143m has been committed to deliver the first phase of the projects outlined in the Sunshine Precinct Masterplan, including works at Station Place such as:

- a new station plaza and entrance
- shared user paths and open space areas, including a key pedestrian route to Hampshire Road
- a new bus interchange
- new pick up / drop off areas
- intersection upgrades around the new bus interchange.

### Next steps



Delivery of these works will be coordinated and completed in time for Melbourne Airport Rail (SRL Airport) services starting in 2029.

## Upgrades to Sunshine Station

Sunshine Station is a key gateway to Melbourne's west that will provide easy connections to Victoria's regions, the metropolitan network and Melbourne Airport.

As part of Suburban Rail Loop, Melbourne Airport Rail (SRL Airport) will deliver significant improvements at Sunshine Station that will double the size of the station's footprint.

These improvements will provide better connections for passengers and an enhanced travel experience.

### Upgrades will include:

- a second pedestrian concourse with escalators and lifts
- extra ticketing gates for easier accessibility and mobility
- improved landscaping
- more bays for car parking, drop-offs and pick-ups, and bus replacement services.

There will be better access to existing platforms - including improved weather protection - and extra ticketing gates at the main station entrance.



When complete, trips between Melbourne Airport and Sunshine will take around 11 minutes.

## New regional platform for Sunshine Station

A new regional platform and associated infrastructure will be built on the western side of Sunshine Station.

This investment will allow more regional trains to stop at Sunshine and will see Bendigo services stop here for the first time.

### The works will see:

- a new dedicated third platform for regional trains, bringing the total number of platforms at the station to five
- new track for regional trains between Matthews Hill Reserve and City Place, Sunshine
- an upgrade to the car park on the western side of the station
- a new, safer pedestrian underpass at the Hampshire Road bridge
- an extension of the existing station concourse
- landscaping and beautification of the precinct, including near the western car park and City Place shops.



These works will complement works to extend the existing regional platforms to fit longer 9-car VLocity trains.

*Sunshine Station regional platform (concept image)*



*Sunshine Station bus interchange (concept image)*

## Over \$20 billion is being invested in the west

Through projects such as Melbourne Airport Rail (SRL Airport), the Metro Tunnel, the New Regional Platform works, Sunbury Line Upgrade and the Sunshine Precinct Masterplan – Sunshine Station is set to become the transport superhub of the west.

These series of transport investments will drive the transformation of Sunshine into a thriving hub and the centre of the west, building on the precinct's existing strengths in health, education and manufacturing.

People travelling to Sunshine Station will have direct access to Melbourne Airport, as well as five new underground stations via the Metro Tunnel.

The rail line between Sunshine and Melbourne Airport will also form a section of the 90km Suburban Rail Loop that will ultimately stretch from Werribee around to Cheltenham in Melbourne's south-east.

Regional travellers from Geelong, Bendigo and Ballarat will be able to travel to and from the airport with one change at Sunshine without going into Melbourne's CBD first.



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