

Construction update



Kensington works update

May - June 2025

Completion works and testing and commissioning activities are continuing in Kensington as part of the Metro Tunnel Project. This update provides an outline of current and upcoming works in your area throughout May and June 2025.

Works snapshot: May - June

Construction works within the Kensington precincts during March and June 2025 will include:

- Tie-station construction
- Trial operations

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



Hobsons Road site photo taken 5 April 2025

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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 will notify if out of hours works are required



The start of demolition in January 2025

Upcoming works in your area

Tie-station construction

Hobsons Road site, Kensington

Ongoing until September 2025

- The next stage of works will include excavating foundations to support the overhead wire structures in two locations
- The overhead wire structures will join the tie-station to the rail corridor
- These works will take place at 156 -158 Kensington Road, West Melbourne between mid-May and early June, and inside the Hobsons Road site from end of May to early July
- These works involve non-destructive digging (NDD) before bored piling takes place. NDD is expected to generate medium to high noise levels
- Bored piling involves drilling holes, placing reinforced steel cages in the holes before pouring concrete into the holes. This activity is expected to generate low to medium noise levels
- From mid-May to June, steel will be delivered to site with intermittent periods of stop and holds taking place on Hobsons Road. Traffic management will be on site to assist pedestrians and vehicles
- The steel will form a platform for the tie-station building to be installed
- In June, a crane will be used to lift the steel onto the top of the piles and then secure it into place. This will take about 4 weeks and is expected to generate low to medium noise levels.



Trial operations

Sunbury Line

Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 May 2025
Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 May 2025
Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 May 2025
Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 June 2025
Saturday 21 June 2025

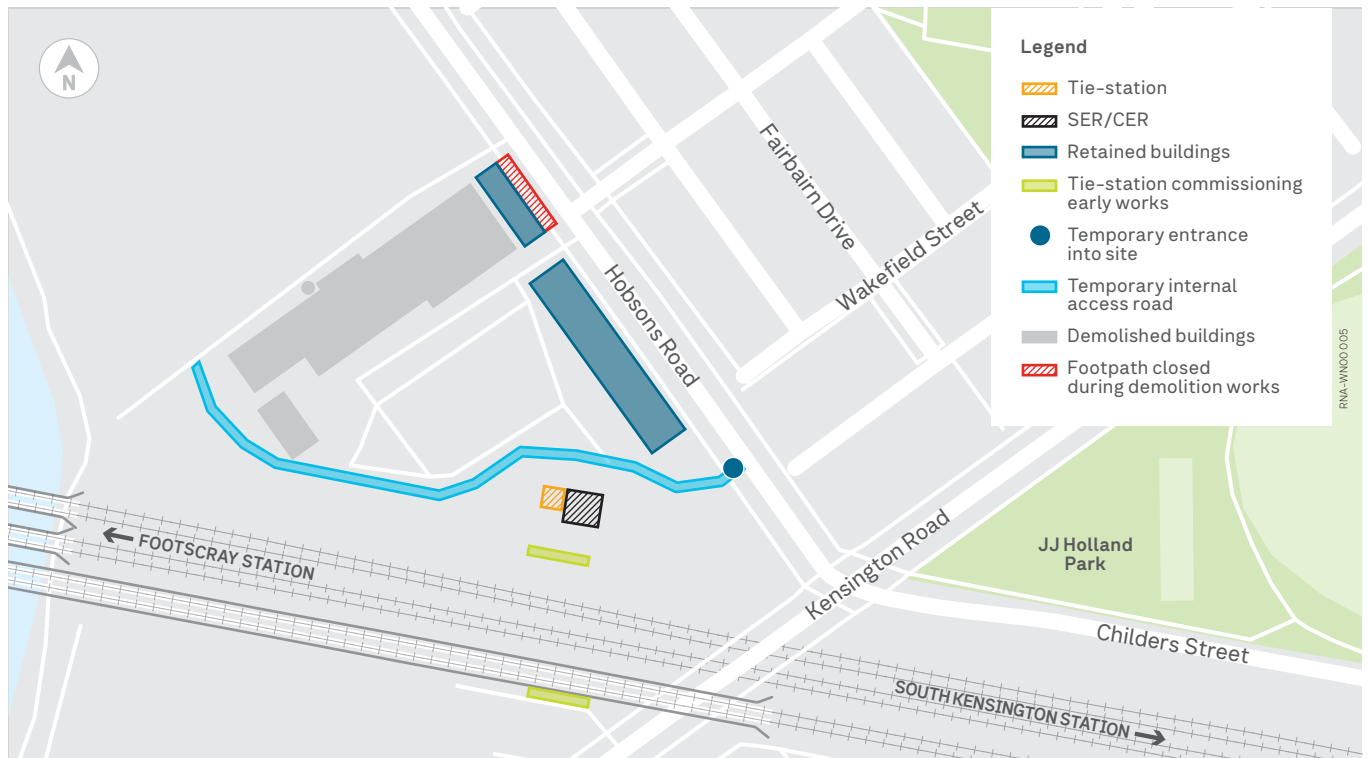


- Trial operations is a critical stage of the project. It involves Metro Trains station staff, drivers and signallers working inside the new tunnels and stations to rehearse the operation of the Metro Tunnel and ensure that everything runs smoothly when the Metro Tunnel opens in 2025. To find out more about trial operations, please visit bigbuild.vic.gov.au/projects/metro-tunnel/construction/testing
- This activity will involve trains running through the Sunbury, Cranbourne and Pakenham lines, as well as the Metro Tunnel
- This activity has been generating intermittent levels of high noise in Kensington. We thank the community for their patience as the project continues to investigate this matter and implement solutions to further address the issue.

What is non-destructive digging?

Non-destructive digging, or NDD, uses high pressure water to remove ground soil. This method enables soil removal works to be undertaken without damaging or impacting the existing ground services, as well as allowing for careful investigation of existing services.

Works area map Kensington



Hobsons Road demolition update

The staged asbestos removal and demolition of buildings B, C and E has been completed. The chimney and infill wall have also been demolished and all building materials have been removed from site. Asbestos and sections of a partially collapsed roof have also been removed from building F, which fronts onto Hobsons Road.



Look ahead for 2025

	May	June	July
Tie-station works			
Trial operations			

Traffic and transport impacts

Ongoing

- An increase in construction vehicle movements around the Hobsons Road site via two entrances on Hobsons Road
- An increase in larger vehicles delivering equipment to the Hobsons Road site
- Traffic controllers may be used intermittently during construction hours and some out of hours works at Hobsons Road
- Deliveries are expected to take place during the day however night deliveries may occur. We will notify surrounding residents if this is the case
- Construction vehicles will continue to access the tunnels via the construction gate in the wall opening near the west end of Childers Street, close to Kensington Road.

Bus replacements

- Buses will replace trains on the Sunbury Line at various times during May and June for trial operations and maintenance works. Please allow for extra travel time.
- Visit ptv.vic.gov.au or call **1800 800 007** for more information and plan your journey. Please allow for extra travel time.

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