

# Construction update



## Town Hall Station

November 2024

Construction of the Metro Tunnel Project's Town Hall Station is continuing to progress, with the focus now including works on station entrances, 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: November

In October, crews progressed with construction of above ground structures at City Square, and continued with testing, commissioning, and fit-out works underground. They also completed surface reinstatement works on Flinders Street and Swanston Street, reopening the footpath next to Young and Jackson.

Construction works within the Town Hall Station precinct during November 2024 include:

- Station entrance construction and underground build-out works at the City Square, Flinders Quarter and Federation Square sites
- Ongoing construction of above ground structures work at City Square including the station entrance canopy

- Removal of one tower crane from Swanston Street near Flinders Lane
- Uplifting of the Collins Street southern footpath near the site entrance
- Widening of the pedestrian ramps at the southern side of Collins Street and Swanston Street intersection
- Campbell Arcade restoration works including fit-out of the underground passenger connection to Flinders Street Station
- Train testing through the tunnel.

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



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## When are we working?



Normal hours

### 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

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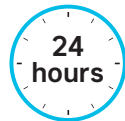
24 hour works are sometimes required during peak construction activities



Completed lifts at Flinders Street Station

## Upcoming works in your area

### City Square site



#### 24-hours, Monday to Sunday

When Town Hall Station opens, the City Square station entrance 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.

Above ground, City Square will be reinstated as a public gathering space, fully landscaped for the whole community to enjoy.

Works occurring this month include:

- Construction of the passenger concourse structure which involves the use of the tower cranes, concrete pumps, and other tools and equipment to undertake in situ and precast concrete placement, internal finishes and mechanical plant installs
- Construction of two above ground station service structures, which will be built with both precast and in situ concrete elements. These structures will be located north-east and south-west of City Square, housing lift bays and tunnel exhaust shafts
- Installation of infrastructure to support mechanical, electrical and plumbing services
- Concrete trucks will access the loading bays on Collins Street and Flinders Lane. Concrete pours involve regular deliveries, the use of concrete trucks, concrete pumps and concrete finishing equipment
- Ventilation equipment will operate during all works below ground, and site lighting will be required for evening and overnight works
- There will be regular truck movements to deliver and remove equipment and construction materials via the Collins Street and Flinders Lane loading bays

- The outer Collins Street westbound traffic lane will remain closed until early 2025. This will provide an on-road pedestrian diversion while the Collins Street southern footpath is closed. The inner westbound lane will remain open to traffic.
- These works are expected to generate low to medium levels of noise.

### Public realm works around the Town Hall Station precinct

As the project progresses toward completion, crews are now undertaking works to remove construction equipment and reinstate paving and footpaths around the sites in preparation of Town Hall Station opening in 2025.

Over the next month, crews will work around the City Square site to remove one of the tower cranes, demolish concrete structures next to the Collins Street footpath, and remove and repave the loading bay areas on Collins Street.

To prepare for increased pedestrian numbers once the station opens, works will also take place to widen the pedestrian crossing ramps on the southern sides of the Collins Street and Swanston Street intersection.

### Pram ramp widening works



Out of hours

#### 8pm to 6am, Monday to Friday

- Works will take place to extend the existing kerb ramps on the southern side of the Collins Street and Swanston Street intersection
- These works will include demolition, concrete pouring, pavement reinstatement, line marking and asphaltting
- During works from 8pm to 6am, Monday to Friday, there will be some changes to footpath access in the area. Please pay attention to signage and traffic controllers

- A full westbound road closure of Collins Street between Elizabeth and Russell streets will be in place at night. Local access will be maintained under contraflow arrangements, from Russell/Collins and from Elizabeth/Collins. Refer to map for locations
- These works are expected to take up to two weeks to complete and will generate some periods of high-level noise and vibration.

## Collins Street southern footpath works

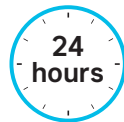
**24-hours, Monday to Sunday**



- Works will take place to demolish a concrete structure below the Collins Street southern footpath at the City Square site entrance
- During this time, an on-road pedestrian diversion will be in until early 2025 while this section of the southern footpath is closed
- These works will require a continuous narrowing of the pedestrian crossing and will include concrete demolition, excavation, concrete pouring, and pavement reinstatement.

## Swanston Street tower crane removal works

**Early November to mid-December  
24-hours, Monday to Sunday**



- Works will take place to remove the southern tower crane from Swanston Street
- These works will require the closure of the City Square/Swanston Street southbound tram stop (Stop #11) and footpath for up to six weeks
- Intermittent closures of the southbound bike lane will be required to complete these works
- Please refer to the map for location of closure and available pedestrian detours
- The northern tower crane will be used to remove the southern crane, and will generate some high-level noise and vibration during some stages of the works
- Once the tower crane has been removed, works will take place to modify the site hoardings and undertake upgrades to drainage and bluestone paving throughout the area
- The northern tower crane is due to be removed in early 2025.

## Swanston Street and Flinders Lane tram safety barrier reinstatement

**For up to 5 nights in November  
1am to 5am**



- Works will take place to reinstate a concrete traffic management road safety barrier within the tram rail corridor at the intersection of Flinders Lane and Swanston Street
- These works will take place between 1am and 5am when tram services are not running

- These works will include the use of a crane to move the concrete barrier into place where it will be bolted. This will generate some medium level of noise and vibration during the night
- Closures of the southbound bike lane are required to complete the works.

## Flinders Street re-asphalting works

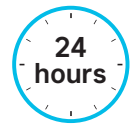
**7 to 8 November, 8pm to 6am**



- Works will take place over two nights to re-asphalt a section of Flinders Street westbound, near the corner of Russell Street (refer map for location)
- Works will include re-asphalting, with use of a bobcat, road profiler, tip truck and hand tools including road saw
- Vehicle activation loops will then be re-cut into the asphalt on all four lanes, with temporary lane closures in place during these works
- These works will generate some periods of medium to high-level noise throughout the night.

## Flinders Quarter site

**24-hours, Monday to Saturday  
12pm to 12am, Sundays (as required)**



When Town Hall Station opens, the station entrance building located on Swanston and Flinders streets 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 occurring this month include:

- Construction of the passenger concourse which involves the use of the tower crane, mobile surface cranes, concrete pumps, and other tools and equipment to undertake steel fixing, formwork installation and concrete pours including hydro scabbling
- Installation of infrastructure to support mechanical, electrical and plumbing services
- Concrete pours involve regular deliveries via the loading zone on Flinders Street, and 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. Concrete pours must be continuous to ensure structural integrity and therefore may continue outside of normal construction hours
- Ventilation equipment will operate during all works below ground, and site lighting will be required for evening and overnight works
- There will be regular truck movements to deliver and remove equipment and construction materials via the Flinders Street loading zone and Swanston Street site entrance
- Due to road permit requirements, large plant will occasionally be delivered and demobilised from the site outside of standard construction hours



- Works are continuing on the above ground structures within the site which will provide exhaust and ventilation functions to the station below. These works include steel fixing and concrete pours and will take place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- The site access and pedestrian gates on Swanston Street will be temporarily reinstated during November to maintain pedestrian safety while trucks enter and exit the site.

## Flinders Street Station, Degraeves Underpass and Campbell Arcade

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



- Works to restore Campbell Arcade and construct the future underground pedestrian connection between Town Hall Station and Flinders Street Station, known as the 'Flinders Link', are ongoing
- Fit-out works are continuing including tiling, plastering and installation of station infrastructure such as Myki gates
- Testing and commissioning works are continuing on the six platform passenger lifts.

## Federation Square site



**24-hours, Monday to Sunday**

Federation Square will be an entrance point to Town Hall Station, providing passengers with new access to this vibrant public space and the nearby arts and sporting precincts.

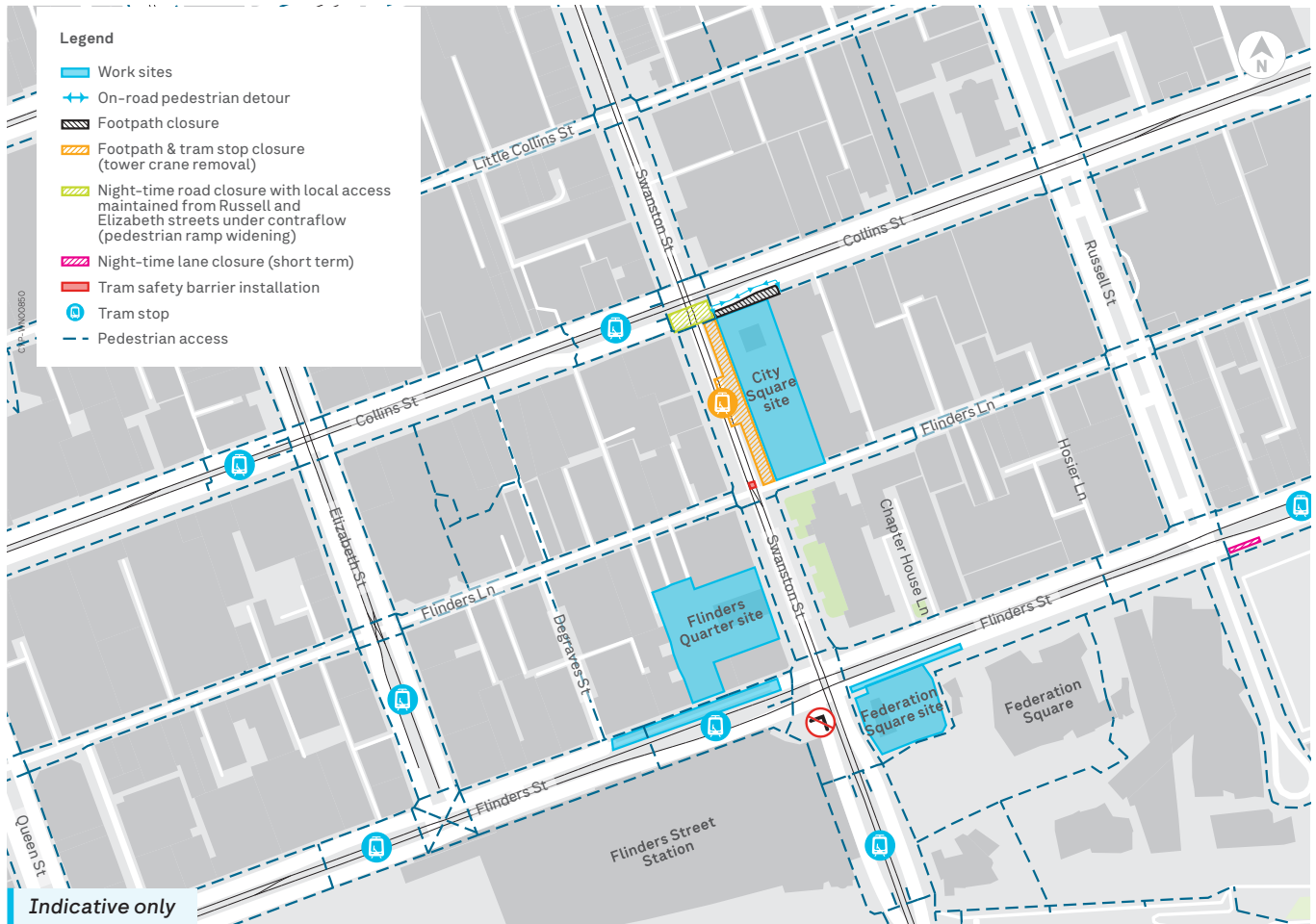
Works occurring this month include:

- Construction and fit-out of the station passenger areas and operational rooms, including installation of waterproofing materials, steel, and concrete
- There will be regular truck movements to deliver and remove equipment and construction materials
- In December crews will commence removal of the site sheds adjoining the acoustic shed. More information will be provided closer to these works.



In October crews restored and re-installed heritage signage above the Campbell Arcade staircases on Flinders Street

# Works area map



## Business support

While the new Town Hall 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 **Ben & Jerry's**, located at **Shop 5, 55 Swanston Street, Melbourne**. We look forward to promoting more local businesses as the project progresses.

## Swanston Street tram stop closure

To support the removal of one of our tower cranes, starting in November for up to six weeks, the southbound tram stop outside City Square will be unavailable.

Passengers will need to walk to the tram stop outside Federation Square to catch a southbound tram during this time.

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