

Construction update



Kensington works update

September 2025

Tie-station and completion work 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 September 2025.

Works snapshot: September

Construction works within the Kensington precincts during September 2025 will include:

- Tie-station construction including 24 hour rail corridor works
- Building F retention and roof replacement works
- Trial operations

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



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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



Upcoming works in your area

Tie-station construction

Hobsons Road site, Kensington

Ongoing

- During September, steel works will continue at the site with installation of structural and architectural steel in and around the tie-station building to match the existing SER/CER building
- These works are expected to generate low levels of noise with periods of medium levels
- Testing and commissioning will be undertaken inside the tie-station building during September.



- Installing cables underground in the rail corridor along Childers Street within existing pits. Traffic management will be in place to assist pedestrians, vehicles and cyclists as required
- Installation of fence posts inside the rail corridor from Kensington Road to Bakehouse Road. These works require the use of an NDD truck and excavator
- Excavation and removal of gravel in the rail corridor along Childers Street
- The 24-hour rail corridor works are expected to generate low to medium levels of noise with intermittent high levels of noise.

24-hour rail corridor works

Rail corridor from the Hobsons Road site to Bakehouse Road, Kensington

**8pm Saturday 20 September to
3am Thursday 25 September 2025**

The following works will be undertaken along the rail corridor as part of tie-station construction and Metro Tunnel completion works:

- Installing wiring and supporting overhead line equipment. These works require the use of elevated work platforms and hand tools
- Removing cables and redundant signalling equipment, this will include breaking concrete foundations and may be undertaken at night. These works require the use of an NDD truck
- Bored piling in the rail corridor next to Bakehouse Road. These works will require the use of an excavator, NDD truck, concrete truck and boom pole

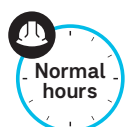


Building retention and roof replacement

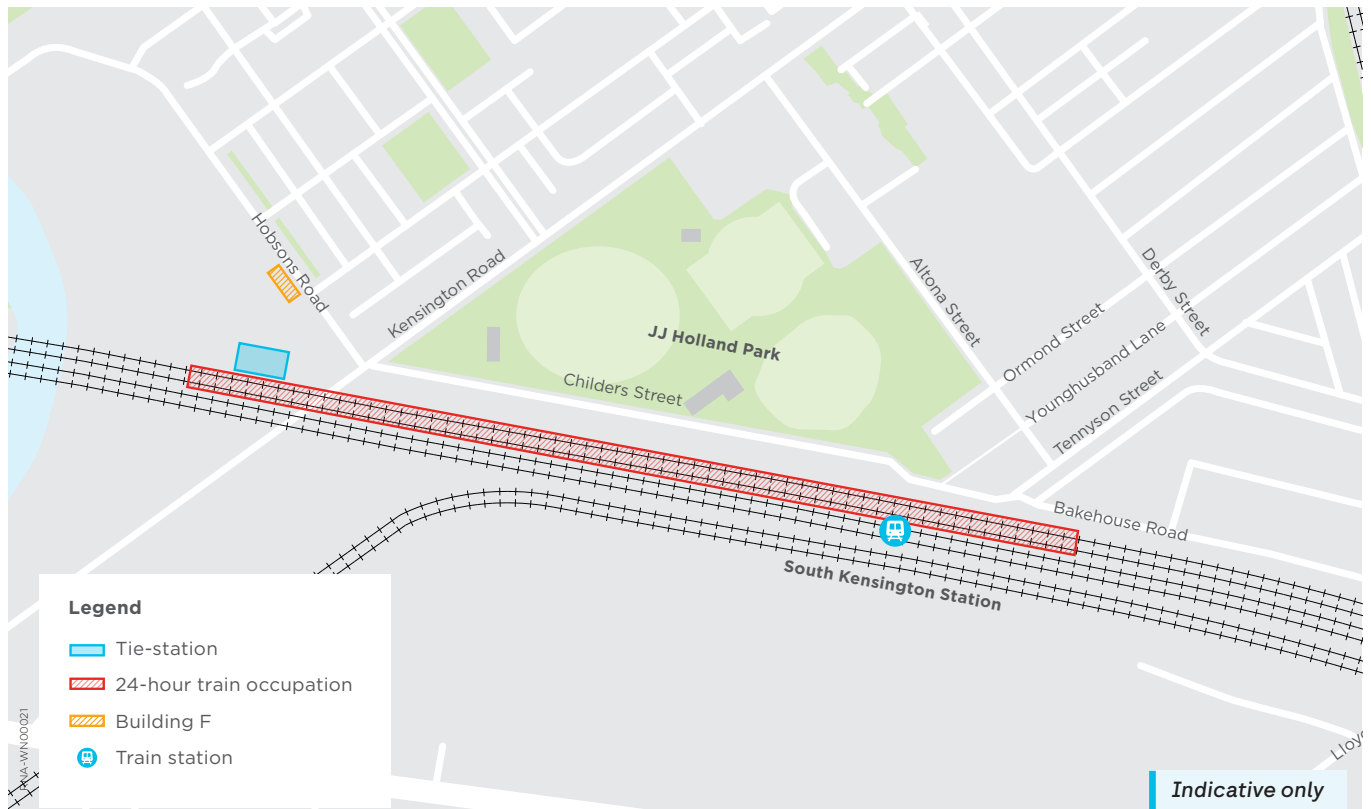
Hobsons Road site, Kensington

From mid-September

- We will start the retention and roof replacement process on building F from mid-September
- These works include removing and replacing roof tiles, repairing existing timber roof frames, installation of a stormwater drainage system, installation of new gutters and downpipes and concrete repairs
- Works will require the use of an excavator, hand tools, scissor lifts and scaffolding
- These works are expected to generate low levels of noise with period of medium levels
- The section of footpath on Hobsons Road in front of building F will remain closed until the completion of these works, with pedestrians diverted into the parking lane with water filled barriers creating a safe route. Traffic controllers will be in place to assist.



Works area map Kensington



Trial operations

Sunbury Line

Monday 8 to Thursday 11 September 2025
Sunday 28 September 2025



- Trial operations is a critical stage of the project. It involves the 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
- An electronic track lubricator has been installed to help mitigate the intermittent periods of high noise during trial operations. We thank the community for their patience while the project worked through the implementation of this solution.

24-hour rail corridor works

- For the safety of passengers and our workers, these activities can only occur when trains are not running
- During the 24-hour rail corridor works, generator-powered lighting towers may be required near your area while works are being completed. Where possible, lights will be positioned to face away from residential properties.

Look ahead for 2025

	September	October
Tie-station works		
Trial operations		
Building F retention and roof replacement		

Traffic and transport impacts

Ongoing

- There will be an increase in construction vehicles on Childers Street as they access the rail line via the construction gate in the wall opening near the west end of Childers Street, close to Kensington Road. Traffic management will be in place during the 24-hour rail corridor works to facilitate delivery of materials and equipment
- An increase in construction vehicle movements around the Hobsons Road site via two entrances on Hobsons Road and Kensington Road, West Melbourne. Traffic management will be used as required around the Hobsons Road site and 156–158 Kensington Road, West Melbourne throughout the 24-hour rail corridor access works
- An increase in larger vehicles delivering equipment to the Hobsons Road site.

Bus replacements

- Buses will replace trains on the Sunbury Line at various times during September for rail corridor works and trial operations. 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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