

Aerial view of the level crossing removal works in the northern station car park.



Coolstore Road, Croydon August 2023

# Works underway on Croydon Transport Hub



We're removing the dangerous and congested level crossing at Coolstore Road, Croydon, and building a new transport hub to connect Croydon's town centre.

Works have started on the new transport hub, which will make it easier to get where you need to go and provide a modern and safe Croydon Station precinct.

As part of the project, we're building new road connections to replace the congested level crossing and roundabout at Coolstore Road. This will connect Croydon's retail precincts and create more options for all transport users to cross the rail line.

Work crews have been busy relocating and upgrading underground utilities and fencing off work zones to ensure locals can move safely through the area while we work.

Piling works have begun to install concrete foundations for the rail bridge.

Major works will finish in 2025, when the new Croydon transport hub is open and the Lilydale Line is level crossing free.

## What's next?

We're starting to build the vertical columns that will support the elevated bridge structure.

We'll work 24/7 **from Wednesday 9 August to Wednesday 16 August**, to safely complete critical works to prepare for major construction.

Buses will replace trains between Blackburn and Lilydale from 8.30pm Wednesday 9 August to last service Tuesday 15 August.

Coolstore Road will also be closed at the level crossing from 7.30pm Wednesday 9 August to 7am Wednesday 16 August.

## Why this level crossing needs to go



More than 10,000 vehicles travel over this road each day.



Removing this level crossing will connect the Croydon precinct, which is currently divided by the rail line.



With the boom gates gone, we can create safer and more efficient road connections for Croydon.



More than 100 trains pass through the level crossing every week day.



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# How to get around during construction

**While we remove the level crossing and build the new Croydon transport hub, there will be some changes to the way you travel through the area.**

Buses will replace trains from 8.30pm on Wednesday 9 August to last service Tuesday 15 August, while crews work around the clock to safely complete critical utility and piling works. For more information go to [ptv.vic.gov.au](http://ptv.vic.gov.au).

Coolstore Road will also be closed at the level crossing during these times. Detour routes will be in place and

access to local businesses and residents will be maintained.

Temporary changes to traffic conditions are essential to keep our workforce and the public safe.

Please take care and allow a little extra time when moving around the area.



## Drivers

Coolstore Road will be closed at the level crossing from **7.30pm Wednesday 9 August to 7am Wednesday 16 August**.

Detour via Mount Dandenong Road, Dorset Road, Lincoln Road, Croydon Road and Wicklow Avenue.

During this time, you may experience minor delays in local streets close to our work areas, including Gallipoli Parade, Railway Crescent, Mount View Street and Wicklow Avenue. Traffic management will be in place to ensure the safety of road users and pedestrians.



## Train passengers

Buses replace trains on the Lilydale Line between Blackburn and Lilydale from **8.30pm Wednesday 9 August to last service Tuesday 15 August**.

Croydon Station car park will be closed until project completion in 2025. Alternative commuter parking is available at the multi-level car park on Devon Street, Croydon and the brand-new multi-level car park at Mooroolbark Station.



## Pedestrians and cyclists

The pedestrian crossings at Coolstore Road, Croydon and Croydon Station will be closed from **Wednesday 9 August to Wednesday 16 August 2023**.

Access across the train line is available at the pedestrian level crossings between Kent Avenue and Main Street and at Alto Avenue and Gallipoli Parade.



## Bus passengers (routes 380, 670 and 672)

Bus services 380, 670 and 672 have been relocated to Kent Avenue. Bus services 670 and 671 will move to Croydon Road until project completion in 2025.



## Bus passengers (routes 664, 688, 689, 690, 737, 967 FlexiRide and school services)

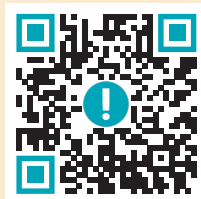
Bus stops located in the southern station car park will be relocated to Devon Street from **early September 2023**.

## Other projects in your area

By 2025, the Lilydale Line will be boom gate free and the Belgrave Line will have no boom gates between Ferntree Gully and the city.

As part of the Ringwood Level Crossing Removal Project, to remove the Dublin and Bedford Road crossings there will be upcoming changes to the way you travel.

- Bedford Road, Ringwood will be closed at the level crossing from **8pm Thursday 10 August to 6am Monday 14 August**
- Dublin Road, Ringwood East will be closed at the level crossing between **10am to 8pm Thursday 10 August**
- Dublin Road, Ringwood East will be closed at the level crossing from **Tuesday 5 September to Tuesday 17 October**



View all current disruptions by scanning the QR code or visiting [levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/coolstore-map](http://levelcrossings.vic.gov.au/coolstore-map)

# Progress in pictures

Thanks for your patience as our crew set up construction sites around the precinct and completed 24/7 works in early June.



Croydon Station, northern car park demolition



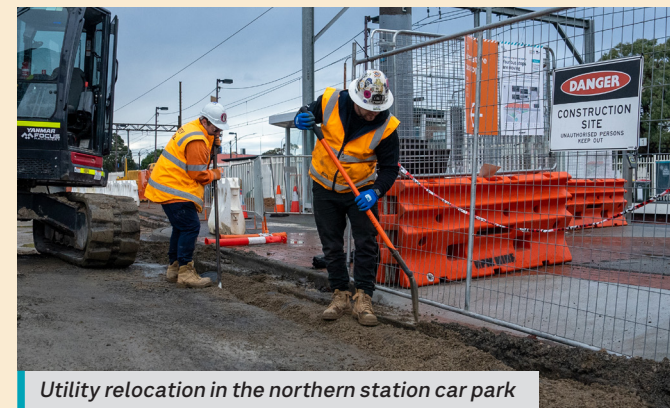
Installing fencing along the rail corridor



Preparing the northern car park for piling works



Ground investigations



Utility relocation in the northern station car park



Piling works in the northern station car park

## Works are on, shops are open!

Access to local businesses remains open throughout our works.

Please continue to support your local traders and shop local throughout the Coolstore Road level crossing removal project.





Thomas standing in front of the render of the new Croydon Station

## Meet Thomas, a proud Croydon local

**Thomas is a passionate Croydon local and public transport user and is looking forward to the transformation of Croydon's town centre and a safer transport hub.**

Local student, Thomas, had a strong interest in history, geography, and railways from an early age. For him, Victoria's railways are not just an interest but a passion that has led him to volunteering at the Healesville Railway.

**'I have always been interested in trains; my grandfather is a railways enthusiast... [The railways are] a wonderful way of serving the community, it's a service we can rely on.'**

As the youngest member of the Coolstore Road Construction Liaison Group (CLG), Thomas is enthusiastic about the positive changes the new transport hub will bring to Croydon.

'A significant issue is the separated bus interchange, it can be very stressful... connectivity, accessibility and safety are pretty poor with the current station. Connecting the bus interchange will make the area a lot safer.'

Thomas says he also has a keen interest in keeping Croydon's youth engaged in the project as works get underway.

'A lot of young people feel that their voices are not heard, because they do not know how to reach out and how to leave their feedback. Telling young people that their voices matter... is the biggest step to getting youth engagement.'

'At the moment the way that the railway works is that there are only two places that you can cross it, Croydon really is divided. I think that this project is an amazing opportunity to connect the heart of Croydon.'

LXRP Program Director Steve Brown said he was pleased that Thomas was involved in the CLG.

'It's great to see that Thomas is passionate about our project and the changes it will bring to Croydon and I know the project and the community will benefit from Thomas's contribution on the CLG.'

### Project timeline



**2022**

Early designs announced

Community consultation

Contract awarded



**Early 2023**

Updated designs released



**Mid 2023**

Early works begin

Major works begin




**2025**


Boom gates gone for good and new Croydon Station open

*Timeline subject to change.*

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