



Kensington Community Reference Group

Meeting 25

Tuesday 11 July 2023



Agenda

Kensington Community Reference Group



| Item | Time | Discussion Topic | Owner |
|------|--------|---|----------------|
| 1 | 8.00am | Introductions, welcome to members • Outstanding Actions and Issues Register | Chair |
| 2 | 8.05am | Train testing (validation of noise and vibration design) | CYP |
| 3 | 8.30am | Project-wide Station construction and rail tunnel fit out update | CYP |
| 3 | 8.35am | Kensington construction update: • Progress update • Upcoming works and traffic changes • Construction program | RPV, RNA & CYP |
| 4 | 9.15am | Community update & discussion items • Communication and engagement activities • Parking survey update • Kensington Community Day | RPV, RNA & CYP |
| 7 | 9.25am | General feedback and items for discussion | CRG members |
| 8 | 9.30am | Meeting close. • Next meeting: Tuesday 31 October 2023 | Chair |

Minutes and Actions

Project-wide update

Presenter: Danielle Smits

Precinct updates



Arden



Parkville



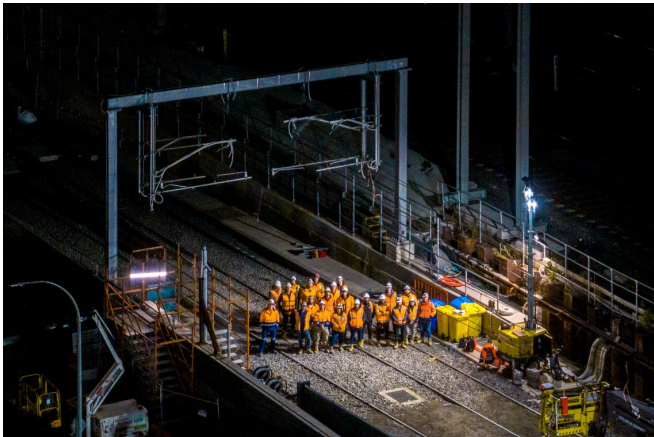
State Library



Town Hall



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Rail Tunnel Fitout

Kensington construction update

Construction update

Western Portal construction update



- RNA has completed the pocket park landscaping and it is expected to open to the public shortly
- The station canopy is complete and all the scaffolding has been removed
- Streetscape upgrades including the installation of rain garden beds, paving, seating, decking, bike storage hoops and pathways around the station precinct are nearing completion
- In July RNA will continue to complete remaining landscaping works around the station forecourt
- Further works will take place to permanently reinstate the Tennyson Street truncation at a later date



New South Kensington entrance canopy



New pocket park

Major rail occupation

Kensington construction update



- RNA completed a 13-day occupation in the west during late June to early July to connect the Sunbury Line and Metro Tunnel tracks together, these works completed the new end-to-end line through to Cranbourne and Pakenham
- During this occupation RNA undertook substantial 24-hour rail upgrades between South Kensington and Tottenham stations
- This included track, overhead and signalling installation and testing and commissioning works
- The scope of works also saw commissioning of the Computer Based Interlocking (CBI) and Automatic Train Supervision (ATS) systems into the Sunshine Signalling Control Centre (SSCC)



Western rail corridor works

Further train testing activities

Kensington construction update



- Following this major occupation milestone, RNA will continue Communication Based Train Control (CBTC) testing in the west and continue to bring CBTC into service on the Eastern Corridor in July
- Systems Acceptance Testing (SAT) will be conducted on the surface level between Southern Cross and Sunshine stations from mid-July on the Sunbury Line to ensure the systems integrity of the new high-capacity trains. Out of hours testing will continue intermittently on the Sunbury Line throughout 2023
- Later in July/August, Dynamic Testing will commence which will involve CYP and RNA beginning months of testing trains within the Metro Tunnel.



Western rail corridor

Egress building

Kensington construction update



- HV energisation completed at the Western Portal substation and Egress Building energised
- Currently progressing through the stages of testing and commissioning within the building
- Temporary power infrastructure on Childers Street will be removed once temporary supply to the tunnel and decline have been decommissioned
- One-day road closure or eastbound lane closure on Childers Street may be required in July/ August during the removal of the power pole and overhead power lines
- Fit out works within the Egress building, including, carpentry, painting of doors etc. have resumed in conjunction with commissioning processes.



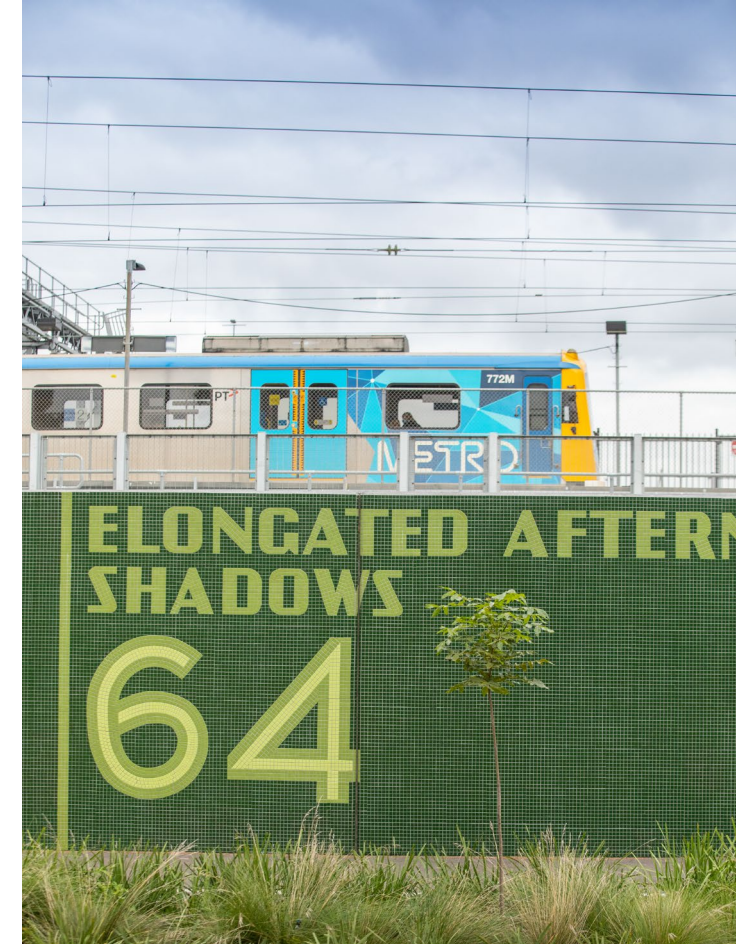
Egress building

Kensington flood wall overview

Kensington construction update



- Through ongoing design development, the project has refined and improved the design of the tunnel's flood protection system
- Through this process, it was identified that a modest 50cm increase in height to the existing flood wall would better protect the tunnels and stations from extreme flooding than installing a mechanical flood gate
- The increase in height won't impact flooding in Kensington during an extreme 1 in 1,000-year rain event, as the existing western rail corridor embankment adjacent to the western tunnel entrance is higher than the flood wall
- Construction works on the flood wall will involve the installation of precast wall panels using a temporary crane located on Childers Street, these panels will be covered in green tiles to match the creative treatment.



Flood wall and western rail corridor embankment

Kensington flood wall overview

Kensington construction update



- Works are expected to commence in August
- Crews will also install further sections of 'A Day in Our Park' by artist Stephen Banham
- To ensure community safety during the works, a closure of the footpath on the southern side of Childers Street and some on-street parking will be required
- While aiming to reduce local road impacts, a combination of eastbound lane closures and full road closures on Childers Street will be in place during normal construction hours
- The project will work closely with LSBE ahead of lane or road closures on Childers Street
- Further works to close an open section of the flood wall used as a rail access point will take place at a later date.



Kensington flood wall and western rail corridor embankment

Upcoming flood wall works

Kensington construction update



Works

- Placing stub columns that will sit behind the wall
- Application of precast panels
- Creative application

Timing

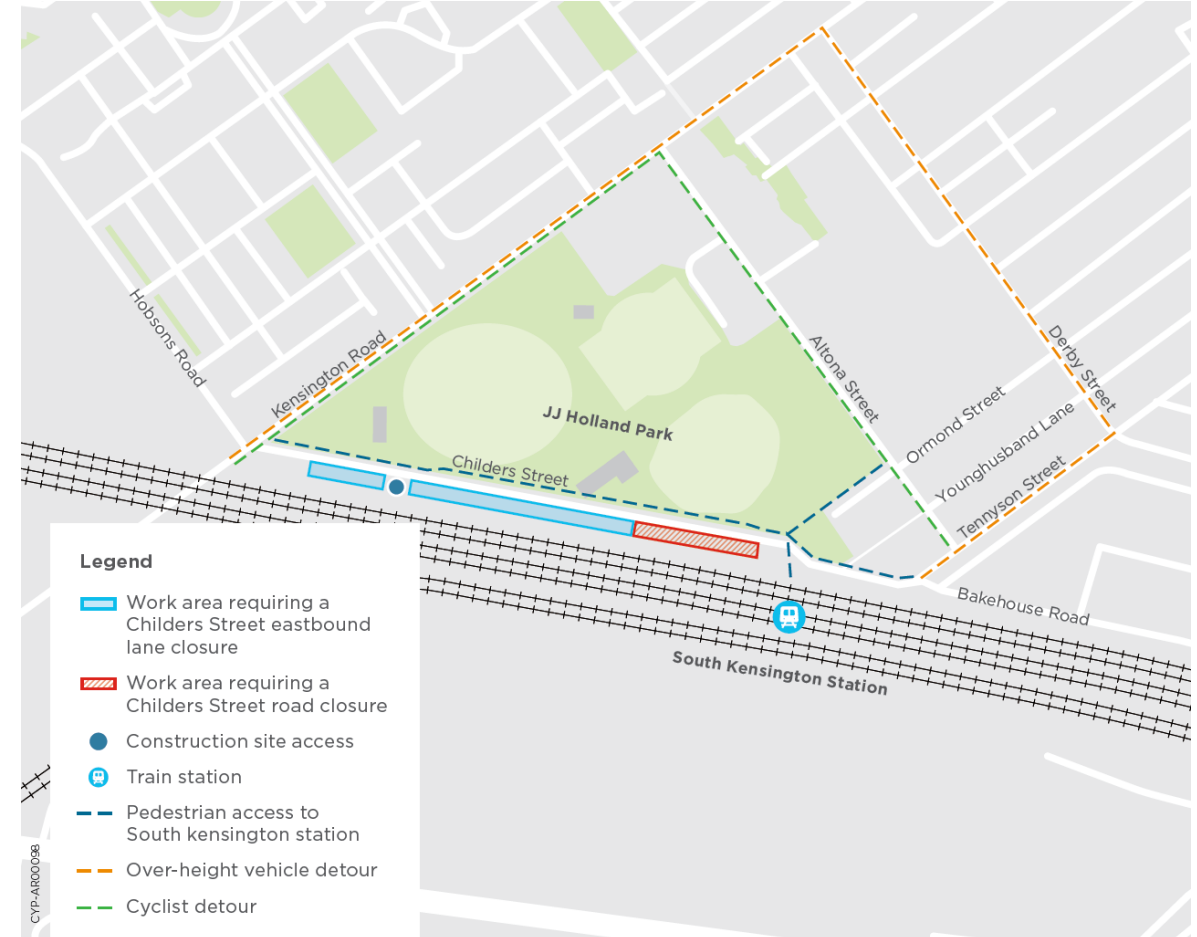
- Preparatory works – August (4 weeks)
- Installing precast panels – August and September (2 months)
- Creative application – October and November (2 months)

Works area

- Childers Street

Traffic and pedestrian changes

- While aiming to minimise impacts, a combination of eastbound lane closures and road closures will be implemented (during construction hours)
- Detour will be implemented via Tennyson Street
- Closure of the southern pedestrian footpath on Childers Street
- Rolling closure of approximately 10 on-street car parks



Indicative impression

Upcoming concrete pouring works

Kensington construction update



Works

- Concrete pour from Childers Street into the decline structure

Timing

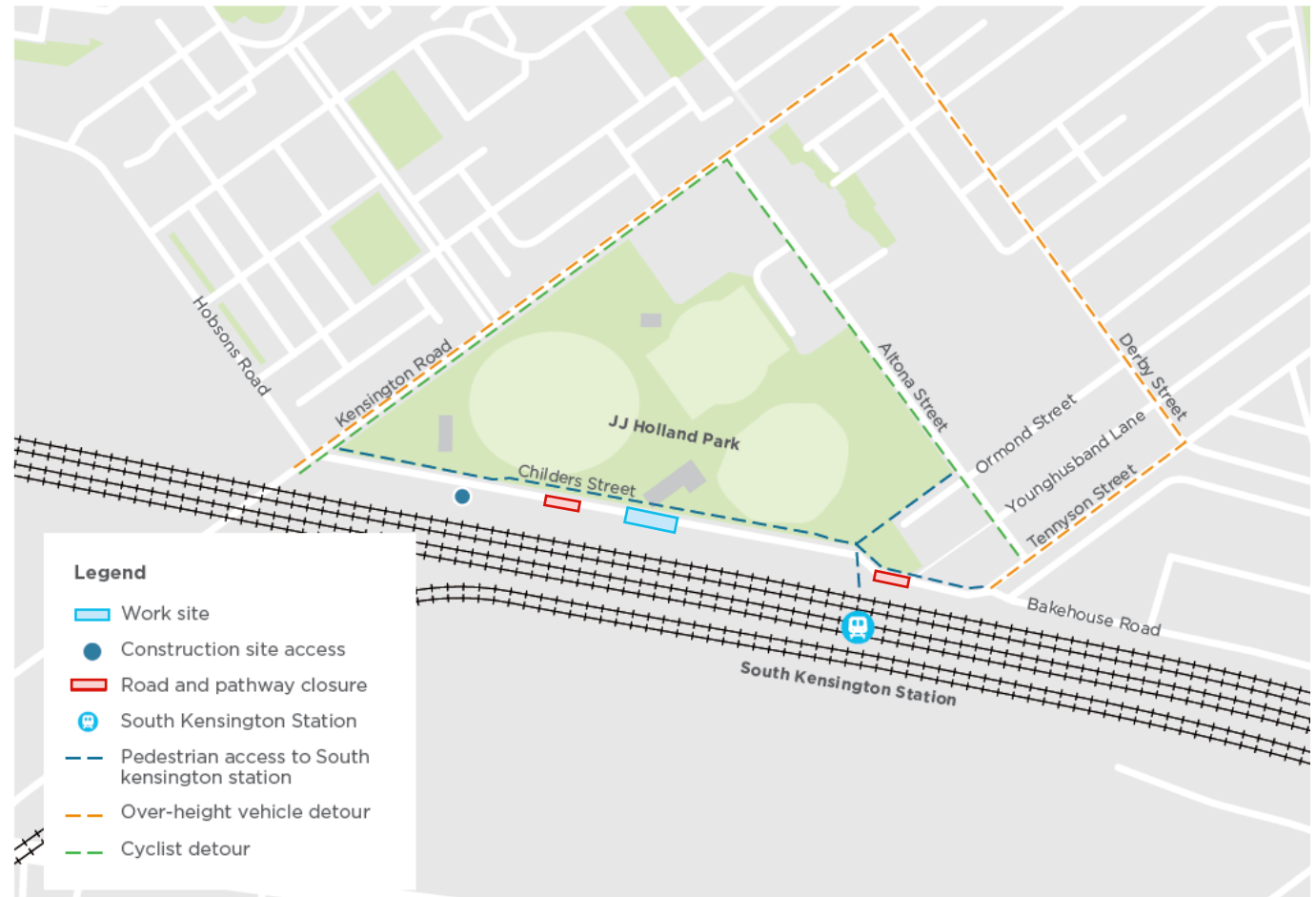
- Saturday 22 July, 7am- 5pm, and
- Saturday 29 July, 7am- 5pm

Works area

- Childers Street into tunnel entrance and decline structure

Traffic and pedestrian changes

- Two, one-day road closures on Childers Street
- Tennyson Street detour will be in place during these works



Indicative impression

Upcoming removal of temporary power infrastructure

Kensington construction update



Works

- Decommissioning and removing a temporary power pole on Childers Street

Timing

- Approximately 1 day in late July/ early August

Works area

- Egress building, Childers Street

Traffic and pedestrian changes

- One day road closure on Childers Street
- Tennyson Street detour will be in place during these works



Indicative impression

Six-month program

Kensington construction update



| Activity | July | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
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| Egress building fit out | | | | | | |
| Removal of temporary power infrastructure | | | | | | |
| Flood wall works | | | | | | |
| Public realm works <i>Station forecourt</i> | | | | | | |

Communications and stakeholder engagement update

Presenter: Christian Green

Engagement activities

Communications and stakeholder engagement



Notifications and communications

- Kensington: Construction bi-monthly update (June to July 2023)
- Kensington: 24-hour rail works notification (June)
- Kensington: Works notice – Childers Street temporary lane and road closures (May)
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- Kensington: Works notice – Childers Street closure (March)

Door knocks, meetings, briefings and events

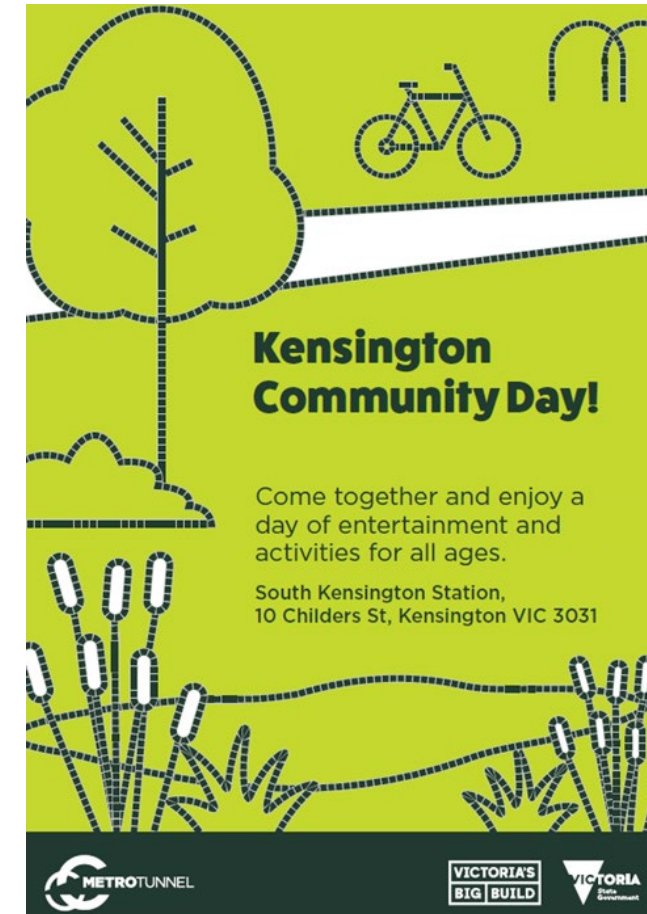
- Kensington: Lloyd Street Business Estate (LSBE)
- Kensington: Kensington Association
- Kensington: Kensington Community Children's Cooperative
- Kensington: fortnightly meetings with City of Melbourne
- Kensington: on-site stakeholder meetings, as required.

Community Day

Communications and stakeholder engagement



- The project will host a community day in late 2023 to thank the community for their patience during major works, and to mark the transformation of Childers Street into a more vibrant, green, and people-friendly place for the community
- The event will encourage the community to come together and enjoy a day of activities and entertainment for all ages
- Community days can include face painting, giveaways, entertainment, food and drinks
- We will provide further information ahead of the event.



Preview of the Kensington Community Day event poster

Parking permits

Communications and stakeholder engagement



- The project ran a consultation with the Kensington community in early June to help City of Melbourne plan future parking arrangements on Ormond, Altona and Tennyson streets.
- Of the 26 responses, **81%** were in favour of keeping the parking permits, **19%** were against, and **43%** didn't respond.
- The community also provided feedback that the project should cover the cost of parking permits for an additional twelve months to assess local parking impacts following the completion of major works.
- Based on the community's feedback, the project will cover the cost of residential parking permits for an additional 12 months, up to 30 September 2024 (subject to the further agreement with City of Melbourne).
- It is anticipated works will be completed by mid-2024, this will provide the community additional time to observe parking conditions in the area.
- There will be no changes to eligibility, the number of available permits or the process to acquire permits.
- The project will send a letter to affected residents advising of this outcome and that a new survey will take place in mid-2024.

Other Business

Next meeting:

Tuesday 31 October 2023