

October 2020



Upcoming works in your area

Transmission tower relocation in Watsonia

We're starting to build the missing link in Melbourne's freeway network. Soon we'll start moving a set of transmission towers in Watsonia out of the way of North East Link.

Moving the towers from the Watsonia Train Station car park to the power line easement in Frensham Reserve will help make space to build North East Link and an upgraded Greensborough Road.

The new towers will be built in Frensham Reserve, about 80 metres from their current location. Relocation works will start in October 2020 and take around six months to build.

Additional electrical works will take place during this time in and around

Watsonia and at the northern end of Greensborough Road.

CPB Contractors are delivering these works and will be working hard to minimise disruption to nearby residents and businesses.

However, there will be some impacts to the Watsonia Train Station and library car parks.

Turn over to find out more about the transmission tower works.

Health and safety is our key priority as we continue to deliver the North East Link Project in line with current health advice.

When are we working?



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

Some activities may be required to take place outside of these hours. All efforts will be made to complete works as scheduled.



1 Moving two power poles in the Watsonia Train Station car park

October 2020 to January 2021 for up to four weeks

Two power poles will be moved a short distance from their current location near the pedestrian overpass in the Watsonia Train Station car park.

2 Power pole and trenching works on Greensborough Road

November 2020 to March 2021 (In stages)

Power lines will be moved underground between Santon Street and just south of Teresa Street. New power poles will also be installed between Thompson Street and Nepean Street.

3 Getting the work site ready in Frensham Reserve

From November 2020 to March 2021

Please note Frensham Reserve between Greensborough Road and Frensham Road will be closed to pedestrians and cyclists from November 2020 until March 2021. A temporary detour will be in place to help people get to the train station and shops.

Some car parking restrictions will also be in place on Frensham Road.

Impacts to car parking

From time to time there will be some short-term closures to sections of the Watsonia Train Station and library car parks. There will also be changes to on-street parking along the northern end of Greensborough Road and surrounding streets.

We know how important car park access is for traders and local residents and we will be sure to keep the community informed in advance of those changes and about alternative parking arrangements.

Impacts to local roads

While every effort will be made to minimise disruptions during construction, there will be some impacts to local roads with vehicle and cyclist detours in place.

There will be lane closures at the northern end of Greensborough Road and side roads during power pole and trenching works.

Lane closures will also be in place on Greensborough Road when the old towers in Watsonia Train Station car park are removed.

Residents and motorists can also expect increased construction vehicle traffic, traffic management and signage throughout our works.

We will update local residents, businesses and motorists before these works start and before any road closures or detours take place.



4 Power line upgrade near Ibbotson Street and Nell Street West

November 2020 for up to a week

A small section of overhead power lines will be upgraded near the corner of Ibbotson Street and Nell Street West.

5 Building new towers in Frensham Reserve

November 2020 to March 2021

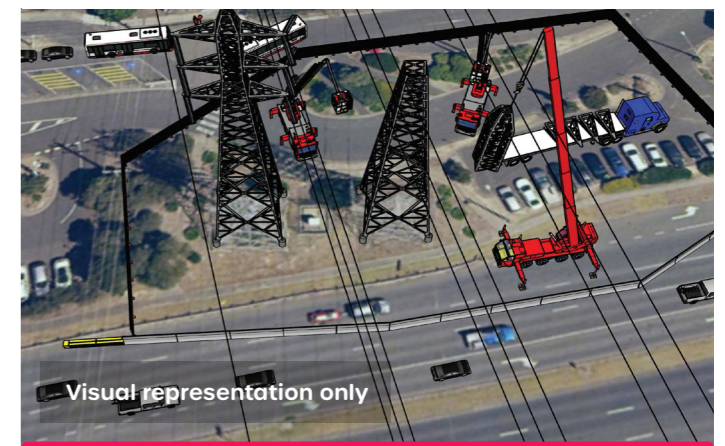
Works will continue in Frensham Reserve with the construction of the new towers.



6 Cable stringing in Watsonia Library car park

January to February 2021 for up to four weeks

New cables will be strung between the new towers in Frensham Reserve and the existing towers located in the Watsonia Library car park.



7 Removal of old towers in Watsonia Train Station car park

January - February 2021 for up to 4 weeks

The old towers in the Watsonia Train Station car park will be carefully dismantled and removed.

FAQs

Will these works be noisy?

Trenching on the northern end of Greensborough Road and transmission tower construction in Frensham Reserve are expected to be moderately noisy. The project team will monitor noise throughout the works.

Will there be changes to parking in Watsonia?

During the final stages of tower relocation works in early 2021, the car park next to the Watsonia Library will be closed for up to four weeks. This is to provide enough room to safely carry out works on the nearby towers. There will also be short-term closures to sections in the Watsonia Train Station car park during the works taking place at Watsonia Train Station.

Will access to Watsonia Library and the train station be affected?

During stringing works early next year, pedestrian access to the library will be maintained. However, there may be periods of changed access to Watsonia Train Station which will be communicated closer to the works.

During other works this year, there may be short detours in place and traffic controllers on hand to help guide pedestrians and motorists.

Will on-street parking be affected during works on Greensborough Road?

On-street parking will be restricted at the northern end of Greensborough Road for a couple of weeks during the trenching works. Traffic controllers will be in place to assist with information and directions for alternative parking.

Will disabled parking spaces be impacted?

Four disabled parking spaces at Watsonia Train Station will be impacted during some of the works. Replacement parking spaces will be made available with access to nearby footpaths and crossovers.

Will electricity be interrupted?

If any short term interruptions to electricity supply is required, the power company will notify residents and businesses in advance.

Why can't the power lines be moved underground?

We've looked at whether it would be possible to move the power lines underground and found this would have required the acquisition of homes and open space.

Where will construction workers park?

Wherever we can we'll work to reduce impacts to local car parking and construction vehicles will largely be contained within the work areas.

What safety procedures will be in place during works?

We have strict health and safety measures in place during works and also during coronavirus restrictions. We are managing the number of staff and visitors attending our worksites and implementing preventative measures, such as temperature screening, additional protective equipment and enhanced cleaning, to ensure everyone's safety.

Who can I contact for more information?

We encourage you to contact our community engagement team to discuss your questions or concerns via **1800 105 105** or email NorthEastLinkEarlyWorks@cpbcon.com.au



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