

# The Courier

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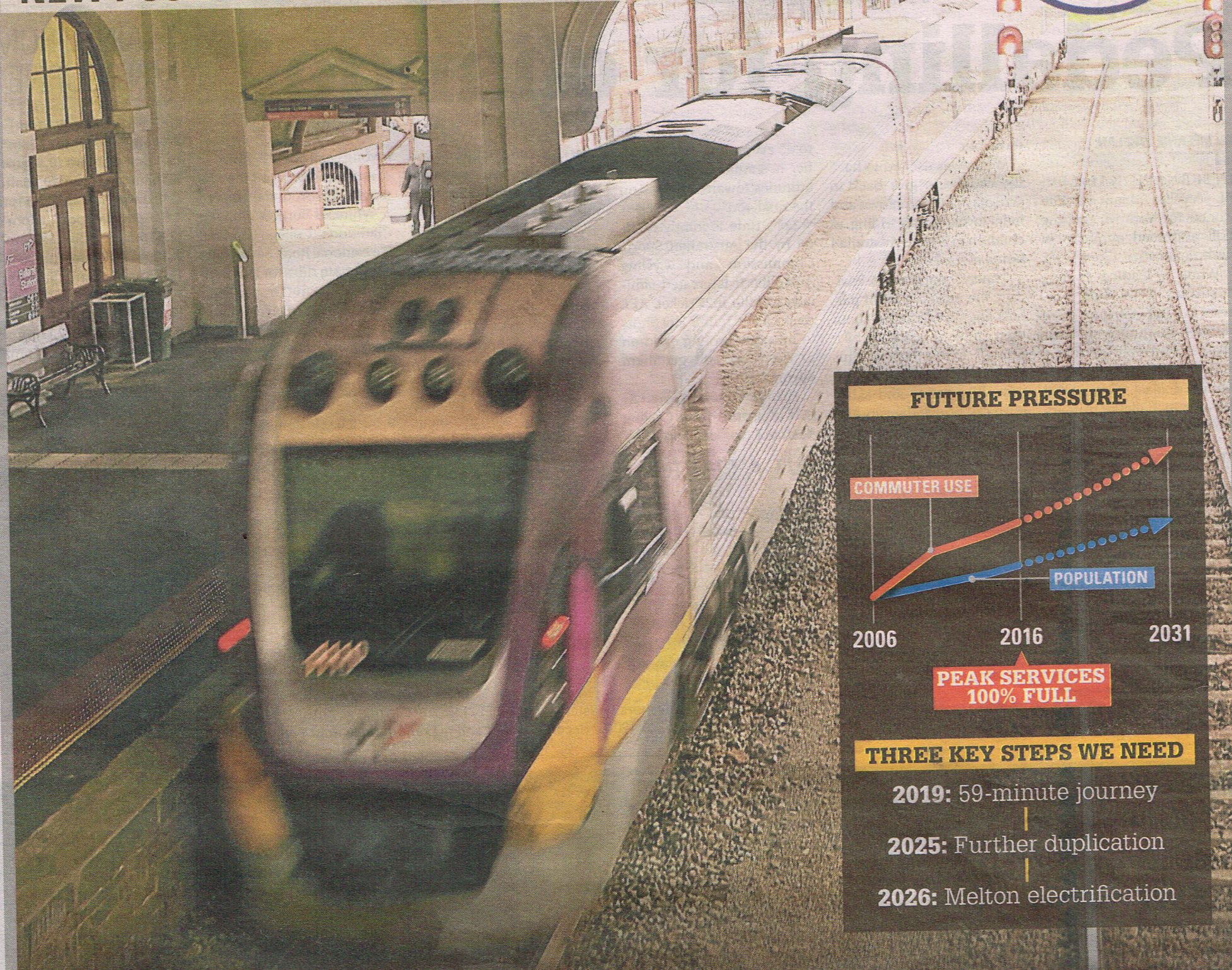
# 150 YEARS

TELLING BALLARAT'S STORY

## GET ON BOARD



### NEW PUSH TO MAKE BALLARAT A ONE HOUR RAIL CITY



**FUTURE PRESSURE**

**COMMUTER USE**

**POPULATION**

2006      2016      2031

**PEAK SERVICES 100% FULL**

**THREE KEY STEPS WE NEED**

- 2019:** 59-minute journey
- 2025:** Further duplication
- 2026:** Melton electrification

Leading Ballarat advocates say the future of the city lies in its connectivity and a sub-hour rail connection to Melbourne is crucial. The latest campaign, 59minuteBallarat, is pushing not only for a faster peak service but the forward planning needed to meet the growth of Ballarat and the western suburbs of Melbourne. Led by the Committee for Ballarat, the campaign now wants to hear your commuting stories and generate the support to get the rail service Ballarat deserves.

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