

Wellington Parade tram terminus update



The Wellington Parade tram terminus near Simpson Street, East Melbourne, is being upgraded in late October 2020.

The changes will improve safety and increase the tram storage capacity for special events.

Construction update

Early works

Over the coming months our team will need to complete surveys and other work to ensure we're ready for the major works. This may include installing poles and underground cables, trimming trees and testing for underground services. Closer to the major works, delivery and welding of tram rails will also take place.

Major works

In late October 2020 we will upgrade the Wellington Parade tram terminus. We will also renew overhead wires and tram tracks on Wellington Parade between Powlett and Hoddle Streets, East Melbourne.

To complete this work quickly and to minimise the disruption to community, road and tram services, works will happen 24-hours/day for just over a week.

Wellington Parade will be closed between Powlett and Hoddle Streets. Local access will be maintained where possible. Weedon Reserve will be closed during the works and there will be changes to tram routes that operate along Wellington Parade. All footpaths will remain open.

Close out works

We will need to complete some close out works. This work will include old pole removals and other remediation works.

More information

To find out more about the project:

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About the project

The upgrade will:

- Improve safety for motorists, pedestrians and tram drivers.
- Provide extra capacity for low floor trams during special events.
- Renew the current track and overhead infrastructure, which is more than 30 years old.

Key features of the design include:

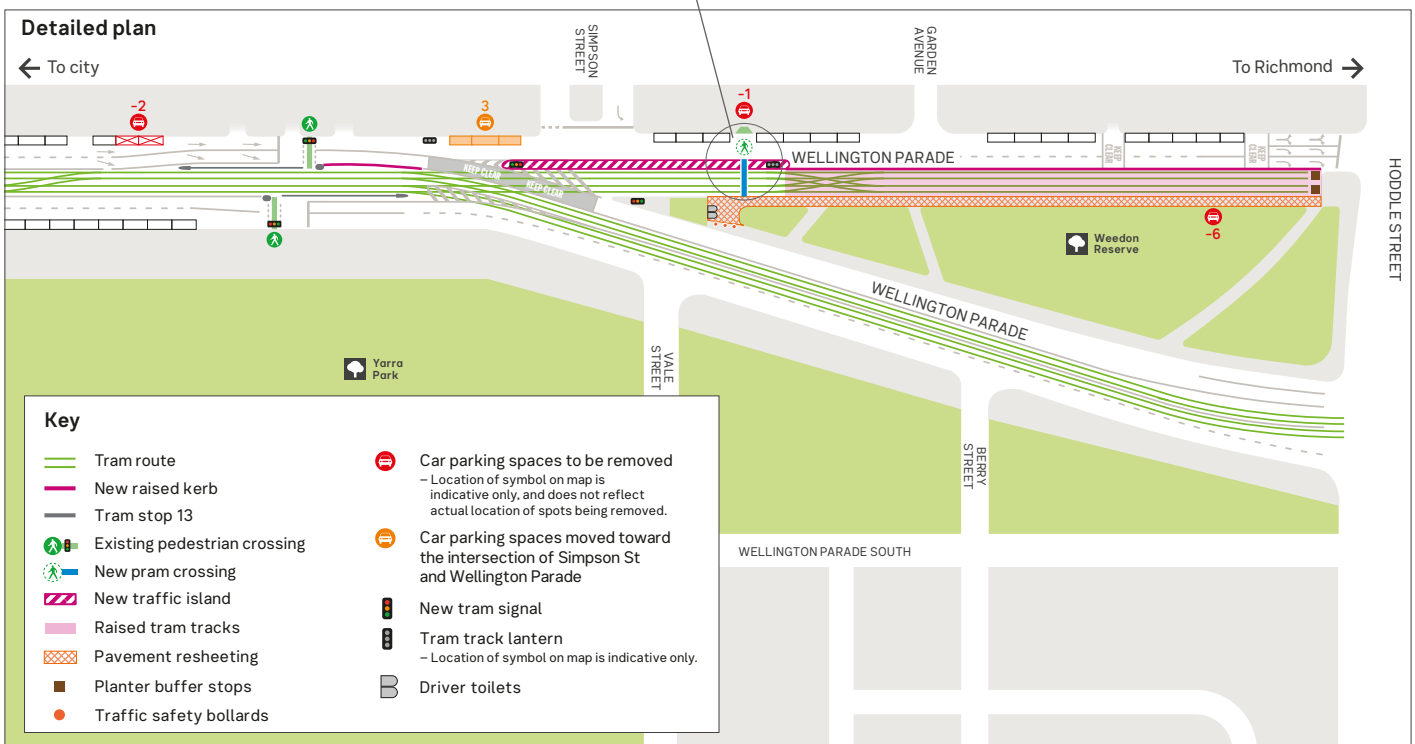
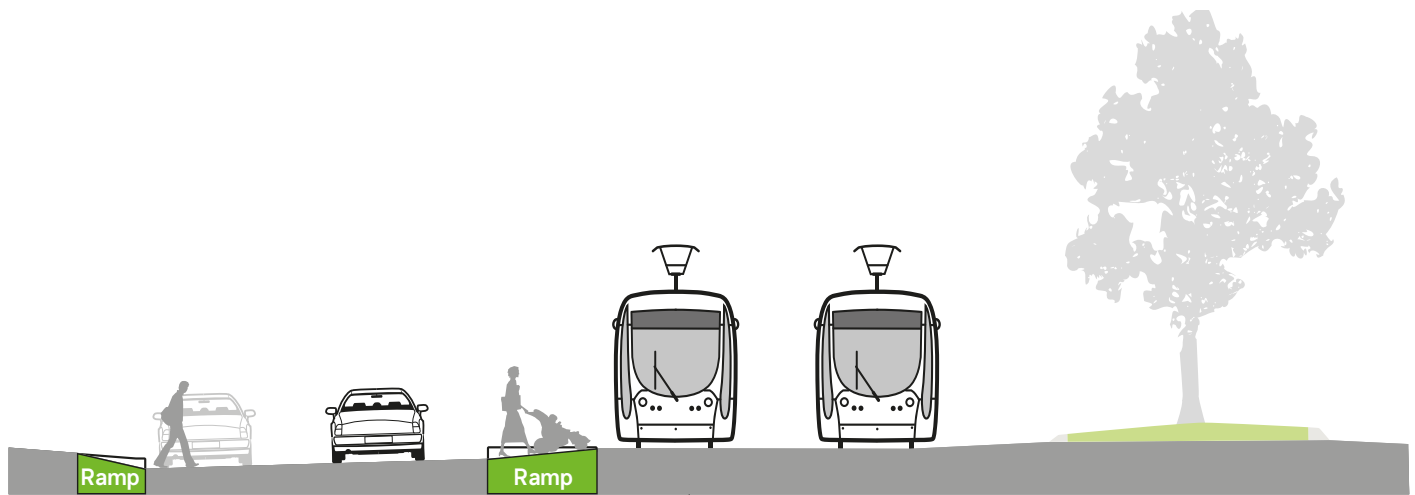
- Elevated tracks to separate trams from the road.
- New tram signals to improve the safety of the intersection.
- An additional traffic island to reduce illegal vehicle movements.
- Upgraded pram crossing and street lighting.
- Formal driver walkways and facilities.
- New track and overhead infrastructure.

See the plan over the page for more information.

Construction during COVID-19

Critical infrastructure projects will continue during Stage 4 restrictions. This includes safety and maintenance works on roads and public transport, and road safety projects that maintain critical safe operations on the road network. To ensure the safety of all workers and the community, all construction and maintenance work undertaken will operate under a High Risk COVID Safe plan.

Wellington Parade tram terminus upgrade – key features



Artist impression of the terminus after the upgrade