

Footscray and Maribyrnong Tram Corridor Planning

Have your say and help shape the next stage of plans for better tram stops along Route 82 in Footscray and Maribyrnong

OPEN FOR FEEDBACK

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Overview

The Department of Transport and Planning is looking at ways to make tram travel along tram Route 82 in Footscray and Maribyrnong easier, safer and more accessible.

We're doing this by changing the way we plan tram stop upgrades with planning work being undertaken for multiple stops along the corridor.

Once upgraded, the corridor will service the new Footscray Hospital currently under construction and maximise the benefit of upcoming deployment of Next Generation trams along Route 82. Tram stops will also connect with existing level access tram stops along Route 82 to Highpoint Shopping Centre and Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre, making tram travel in Melbourne's inner west more accessible to more people.

About the project

We're reviewing the tram corridor from the Footscray Market/Leeds Street tram stop in Footscray to Gordon Street/River Street in Maribyrnong (see the project map below).

Tram Route 82 travels through the heart of Footscray, a vibrant hub of activity, people and shops, and then connects to busy transport routes and local shopping areas along Leeds St, Hopkins Street, Droop Street and Gordon Street.

These busy road environments can create challenges with competing priorities impacting on peoples' safety and experience of the street.

We know upgrading tram stops can change the layout of the street and how we move in the area.

That's why we're undertaking a new corridor approach to tram stop upgrades that looks at multiple stops along a section of street rather than individual tram stops.

This approach presents an opportunity not only to improve tram stop accessibility but think about how the street functions, what could be improved and how to better integrate tram stops within the local street environment.

Between August and October 2023, we ran an initial round of engagement with the local community, nearby businesses, and representative groups in this area. Results from this engagement are available [here](#)

We're now proposing possible tram stop locations and stop options for a further round of engagement open now.

This process involves engaging the community for feedback, well in advance of seeking funding for construction, and ensures local needs and preferences are considered.

This project is part of a \$5.5 million project funded in the 2022/23 Victorian State Budget and delivers on a key component of Melbourne's Tram Plan, which calls for a coordinated and consistent approach to planning and designing level access tram stops.

Our new approach to tram stop upgrades supports more inclusive and equitable access to tram travel for more passengers.

At this stage, there is no funding for the delivery of tram stop upgrades at these locations. Future delivery funding for upgrades will be considered by the government as part of future state budget processes.

Tram Corridor Map



Have your say on the tram stop options

We're seeking feedback on seven tram stop locations, each of which have two proposed options.

Each of the proposed options have different characteristics that can potentially change how people experience the street.

We're asking you to complete the survey and think about which option suits you best and why.

All tram stop options will include:

- a safe, accessible level-access pedestrian pathway to the tram stop
- step-free access to low-floor trams
- digital passenger information, including audio
- seating
- shelter
- lighting
- tactile ground indicators

All tram stop options will affect the street:

- there are opportunities to integrate or change bus stop locations for easy interchange between bus and tram services
- some car parking spaces will need to be removed to make way for the new platforms
- there may be an opportunity to restore some parking along the corridor when the existing tram stops are relocated
- trams and cars will share the same traffic lane
- there will be new pedestrian operated crossings in some locations
- some car movements in and out of side streets will need to be restricted

Please note that all locations are indicative only.

Tram Stop Options

Nicholson Street

Geelong Road

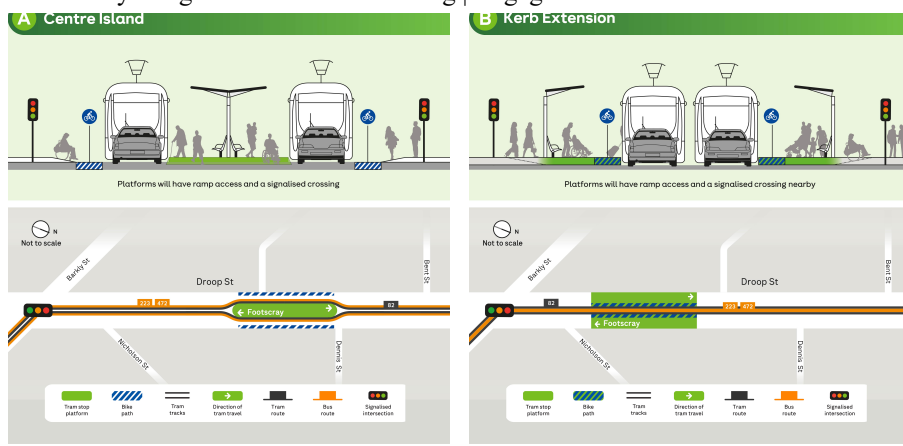
Tiernan Street

Ballarat Road (on Droop Street)

Ballarat Road (on Gordon Street)

Owen Street

Edgewater Boulevard



How to participate

To have your say on the tram stop options for the corridor please complete the survey.

[Click here to start the survey](#)

Ask a question, we'll do our best to respond in 3 business days

[Click here to ask a question or view questions previously asked](#)

You can find out more about the project, speak to a member of the team and ask a question by joining an online information session or attending a face-to-face drop-in session.

Next steps

Once consultation is closed we will consider feedback along with network planning priorities, environmental assessments, traffic studies and other project considerations to finalise the preferred tram stop options for the corridor.

Funding for delivery of tram stop upgrades will be considered by the government as part of future state budget processes.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Melbourne's Tram Plan



What are the benefits of planning multiple tram stop upgrades together?	▼
Why do tram stops need to be upgraded?	▼
What makes an accessible tram network?	▼
Why was this corridor chosen?	▼
Where does the corridor start and end?	▼
What consult if the tram upgrades aren't funded?	▼
What were the consultation findings from 2023?	▼
Where can I read the consultation summary report from 2023?	▼
When will the tram stop upgrades be built?	▼
Will there be impacts to businesses?	▼
I live along the street, what are the impacts to me?	▼
Will there be changes to parking and traffic lanes?	▼

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If you have any questions about this program, please contact the project team at community@transport.vic.gov.au

Timeline



31 August 2023 - 15 October 2023

-  **Analyse and assess**
16 October 2023 - March 2024
-  **Reporting back and next steps**
April 2024
-  **Consultation Stage #2**
22 July 2024 - 18 August 2024
-  **Analyse and assess**
19 August 2024 - late 2024
-  **Reporting back and next steps**
Late 2024

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