

# Media Release

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## **WATERGARDENS UPGRADE A WIN FOR COMMUTERS**

Commuters in Melbourne's north-west will soon find it easier to find a park with the announcement of 95 new car parking spaces and safety upgrades, to be built on Sydenham Road near Watergardens railway station later this year.

The new parking spaces and safety upgrades will make it easier for commuters to catch the train from Watergardens.

Watergardens Station is a busy location on Melbourne's transport network, with more than 1.5 million commuters using the station annually in recent years.

The works are part of the Andrews Labor Government's *Car Parks for Commuters program* and will be delivered by Brimbank City Council. Works will include the construction of asphalt roadside car parking bays and a shared user path along Sydenham Road.

New kerbs, drains, and pedestrian areas will also be constructed between Roseleigh Boulevard and Ondella Way, as well as a new safety fence to be installed along the railway line.

Landscaping work including tree planting will be completed along Sydenham Road as a part of the works.

The Labor Government is delivering 11,000 new and upgraded car parks at train stations across metropolitan and regional Victoria – on top of the almost 10,000 new and upgraded car parks delivered between 2014 and 2018.

The 11,000 new and upgraded car parks will free up local streets, improve access to public transport, boost safety, and generate jobs across the state.

For more information visit [carparks.vic.gov.au](http://carparks.vic.gov.au)

### **Quotes attributable to Minister for Public Transport Ben Carroll**

*"More car parking options makes commuting easier which is why we are boosting parking capacity for passengers across the state."*

*"Whether you walk, ride, or drive to the station, this vital infrastructure upgrade will improve safety and make catching the train at Watergardens Railway Station more convenient and easily accessible."*

### **Quote attributable to Member for Sydenham Natalie Hutchins**

*"This is stage one of the works we are doing to improve car parking at Watergardens and will benefit the entire community – with more commuter car parking, improved safety, and creating better accessibility for Sydenham residents to get to Watergardens station."*