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The Hon Jacinta Allan MP Leader of the House Minister for Transport Infrastructure Minister for Suburban Rail Loop



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HAVE YOUR SAY ON FINAL DESIGN FOR TRAMWAYS EXPANSION

The Bendigo community is being given another opportunity to provide feedback on the final concept design for the Bendigo Tramways expansion.

The \$10.7 million project is being delivered by the Victorian Government in partnership with the City of Greater Bendigo and Bendigo Heritage Attractions, to create additional storage space and deliver upgraded workshop equipment to restore heritage rolling stock.

The expansion will also enable Bendigo Tramways to increase the number of trams they restore, creating more jobs and generating economic activity in Central Victoria.

Earlier in the year, a high-level concept design for the expansion was presented to the community for discussion on key features of the site, including the location of storage sheds.

This feedback led to the design being further refined, with locals now again being asked to provide their input, particularly on the new storage facilities and how construction impacts can be minimised.

Community members can have their say on the final concept design by completing an online survey on the VicTrack website victrack.com.au/bendigotramways before 5pm on Friday, 5 November.

Works on the project are set to get underway in early 2022.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Transport Infrastructure and Member for Bendigo East Jacinta Allan

"Our fully refurbished historic W-Class trams are back operating on the City Circle in Melbourne, which is thanks to the skills and expertise that are on offer at Bendigo Tramways."

"The expansion of Bendigo Tramways will enable even more of our historic trams to be restored and preserved for the future."

Quotes attributable to Member for Bendigo West Maree Edwards

"I thank everyone who provided their feedback on the high-level concept design for the expansion, which has been taken into account when putting together the updated concept design."

"We want to ensure the local community is well informed, and this second round of consultation gives people the chance to see how the design has progressed and provide any further feedback they may have about the project."

Quote attributable to Minister for Regional Development Mary Anne Thomas

"The Bendigo Tramways expansion is one step closer, which is great news for Central Victoria as it will increase the number of skilled jobs in the region."

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