

# Media Release

**The Hon Jacinta Allan MP**  
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## GETTING ON WITH REVITALISING CENTRAL DANDENONG

The Andrews Labor Government is getting on with transforming central Dandenong into a vibrant new residential, retail and commercial hub.

Minister for Transport Infrastructure Jacinta Allan today announced the Revitalising Central Dandenong project has taken another step forward, with the project's next phase draft masterplan released by Melbourne developer Capital Alliance for community feedback, along with design renders to give locals a glimpse of what it will look like.

The draft masterplan showcases the proposal for Dandenong and includes creating at least 470 new dwellings, a hotel and conference centre, offices and community spaces. An urban brewery entertainment district will also be built, as well as an education facility, retail, a medical facility, a cinema and dining.

To maintain the site's strong cultural identity, the project will also deliver a brand-new Little India precinct. The new Little India will provide more modern facilities and services, as well as better spaces for tenants, and will be built as part of the development's first stage to minimise disruptions to traders.

Construction on the development's first stage is expected to commence in 2023 – which also includes delivering a supermarket, food market hall and residential building. Capital Alliance will invest \$600 million to develop the area next to the Dandenong transport hub – creating more than 2,600 jobs during construction and close to 5,000 ongoing positions once complete.

The project will complement the Labor Government's transport investments in the south-east, better connecting locals with \$15 billion to upgrade the Cranbourne/Pakenham line – slashing travel times, delivering bigger trains and creating a direct link to Melbourne Airport through the Metro Tunnel.

The Government is delivering the Revitalising Central Dandenong project through Development Victoria, with support from Greater Dandenong Council.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Transport Infrastructure Jacinta Allan

*"We're not only delivering more trains, more often to Dandenong – we're delivering more housing, and jobs for this local area."*

*"We encourage locals to have their say on the draft masterplan and will continue to work with them on progressing this project – which will transform Dandenong and create thousands of jobs at a time our community needs them most."*

### Quote attributable to Member for Dandenong Gabrielle Williams

*"We're turning this area into a vibrant new neighbourhood with more jobs, housing, entertainment, restaurants and spaces that will be enjoyed by locals well into the future."*

### Quote attributable to Capital Alliance Founder and Chief Executive Mohan Du

*"We're proud to share this draft master plan with the community to rejuvenate central Dandenong – with the project to benefit generations to come."*

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