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DELIVERING STATION CAR PARKS TO IMPROVE TRAVEL

The Andrews Labor Government continues to deliver new and upgraded train station car parking across Victoria, with works progressing at five stations as part of the Car Parks for Commuters program.

Construction has commenced on a major upgrade which will increase parking at Belgrave Station by 470 spaces, while contracts have been awarded and works will shortly commence on the delivery of 55 extra spaces at Yarraman, 30 new and upgraded spaces at Upper Ferntree Gully, 50 new and upgraded spaces at Nar Nar Goon and 40 additional spaces at Drouin.

The new 640-space multi-deck car park at Belgrave Station will be built on the site of the current commuter car park, meaning the existing car park is closed throughout construction. Passengers who usually park at Belgrave Station are advised to use a new temporary car park that has been constructed at Upwey High School, within walking distance to Upwey Station.

Additional safety improvements at Belgrave Station will include CCTV and lighting for safety, lifts, a public announcement system, 16 new accessible parking spaces and an undercover pick up and drop off area. A trial of Electric Vehicle Charging will also take place at the station. Access to the car park will be widened with a priority exit lane and priority signals for buses at the roundabout, and improved pedestrian safety.

Commuters at Yarraman, Upper Ferntree Gully, Nar Nar Goon and Drouin will also benefit from new accessible parking bays, bicycle parking, lighting and CCTV. New secure Parkiteer bike storage facilities will also be installed at Upper Ferntree Gully and Yarraman. The projects will also plant around 14,000 new trees, shrubs and grasses across the four sites.

The five new and upgraded train station car parks will be delivered and completed over the next year.

Since 2014 almost 14,000 new and upgraded parking spaces have been delivered at metropolitan and regional stations across the state, and the Labor Government is on track to deliver an additional 7,000 new and upgraded spaces.

For more information on the Car Parks for Commuters program visit carparks.vic.gov.au

Quotes attributable to Minister for Public Transport Ben Carroll

"Belgrave Station will soon be more accessible for the growing community with hundreds of extra parking spaces, covered by CCTV and lighting, as well as an improved bus interchange and undercover pick up and drop off areas."

"While there will be some disruption as these works are carried out, once the car parks are complete people driving to Belgrave, Yarraman, Upper Ferntree Gully, Nar Nar Goon and Drouin stations will find it much easier to connect to public transport and get to where they need to go."

Quotes attributable to Member for Monbulk James Merlino

"The new car park will considerably increase the parking available in Belgrave's town centre, taking commuters off surrounding streets and making it much easier for shoppers, traders and visitors to find somewhere to park."

"The car park works at Upwey are also delivering improvements to Upwey High School and Upwey Primary School, including a new school oval that students and local sporting clubs will soon be able to enjoy."

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