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WORKS UNDERWAY TO REMOVE CAMMS ROAD LEVEL CROSSING

The Andrews Labor Government is another step closer to removing one of the last remaining level crossings on the busy Cranbourne line with works commencing at Camms Road in Cranbourne.

Updated designs have been released and early works are now underway to build a new road bridge over the rail line at Camms Road – easing congestion and improving safety for 12,000 drivers who pass through it each day.

More than 137 trains pass through the level crossing on Camms Road each day, and with 50 more train services per week now running on the line, it is critical to remove the level crossing in one of Melbourne’s fastest growing areas.

The new designs incorporate extensive community feedback and feature improved walking and cycling connections, additional landscaping as well as enhanced lighting along the shared use path and within the upgraded Cranbourne station car park.

Local residents will also be able to walk and cycle to the station precinct and beyond, with a link to the new 4 kilometre bike and walking path being constructed as part of the Cranbourne Line Upgrade. The new path will create a direct route between Lynbrook, Merinda Park and Cranbourne stations.

Additional open space areas around the new bridge will include seating and landscaping, and the project will plant around 300 new trees and shrubs.

Site establishment works at Fairfield Street have started and will continue in the coming months. The works include fencing off work areas to keep the workforce and the public safe and relocating utility services underground. Major construction will begin mid-year with the project on track for completion in 2024 – one year ahead of schedule.

The Cranbourne Line Upgrade is well underway, with 8km of duplicated track between Cranbourne and Dandenong complete and a new Merinda Park Station open to passengers.

The second track between Cranbourne and Dandenong was completed in February 2022, close to a year ahead of schedule – allowing trains to run every 10 minutes on average in the morning peak for passengers travelling from Cranbourne, Lynbrook and Merinda Park stations.

The Labor Government is delivering 400 new and upgraded car spaces at Cranbourne Station as part of the *Car Parks for Commuters* program and the Growth Area Incentive Contribution, featuring improved CCTV and lighting as well as more bicycle parking facilities.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Transport infrastructure Jacinta Allan

“Melbourne’s south-east is one of the fastest growing areas in the state which is why we are removing ever level crossing along the line to improve travel and increase safety.”

“Not only are we removing another dangerous and congested level crossing, we’re also improving pedestrian and cycling connections to ensure whether you are travelling by foot, bike, car or train, your journey is safer and easier.”

Quote attributable to Member for Cranbourne Pauline Richards

“We are pleased to see works beginning at Camms Road – improving transport connections for locals to enjoy for years to come.”

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