

Media Release

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TRAM TIMETABLE CHANGES TO BOOST EVENING TRAVEL

The Andrews Labor Government will introduce timetable changes next month to optimise the tram network and boost evening travel, so more Victorians can enjoy the city's world-class nightlife and get home safely.

From 30 October 2023, there will be timetable changes for routes 1, 3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 16, 35, 58, 64, 67, 72, 78, 86, and 109.

The new timetable reflects post-pandemic travel habits, including the impacts of the hybrid working environment, and the increase in evening travel when people return to the city for hospitality and entertainment.

Services will be boosted on Friday nights, with a tram every 15 minutes until 10 pm on tram corridors serving some of our busiest entertainment precincts, making it easy to get around and enjoy the city's vibrant nightlife.

Route 3a will no longer operate and will be replaced by Route 16, while Route 3 will run through the week along St Kilda Road, providing a consistent service for passengers and reducing travel times between the CBD and Balacava Road.

To provide passengers with more accessible tram travel options along Dandenong Road after 6:30pm, Route 5, using low floor trams, will operate the full route length.

After 6:30pm, Route 64, using high floor trams, will run between Stop 40 - Wattletree Road / Dandenong Road stop and East Brighton.

The iconic City Circle (Route 35) will travel clockwise only around the CBD at 12-minute intervals between 9:30am and 5pm daily, providing a more reliable service and helping reduce tram congestion in the city at peak times.

The Department of Transport and Planning and Yarra Trams have worked together in the revised network change.

Passengers should check their timetables before they travel and plan ahead. Timetables and more information will be available from 28 September 2023 at ptv.vic.gov.au, PTV's Journey Planner app and yarratrams.com.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Public Transport Ben Carroll

"We continually review tram timetables to ensure we're delivering tram services that meet passenger demand across Melbourne's tram network."

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