



Senator the Hon Murray Watt Acting Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

Gabrielle Williams MP Minister for Transport Infrastructure Minister for Public and Active Transport

JOINT MEDIA RELEASE

21,000 NEW STATION CAR PARKS DELIVERED

More than 21,000 new and upgraded car parking spaces at train stations across Melbourne and regional Victoria have now been delivered thanks to funding from the Albanese and Allan Labor governments.

These parking spaces will provide people in Melbourne's outer suburbs and some of Australia's fastest growing communities easier and safer access to public transport.

The milestone was reached with the opening of a new car park at Watergardens Station, in Melbourne's north-west, meaning local communities will enjoy less street congestion and better access to their local train station.

The 485 new car spaces at Watergardens will make catching the train easier for the thousands of people who use the station every day – with the car park also including 26 accessible spaces and 70 new bicycle spaces, with a secure Parkiteer cage for 26 bicycles.

This investment has been delivered through the Allan Labor Government's Car Parks for Commuters program, with support from the Australian Government and local councils.

The program has delivered station car parks at 51 stations across Melbourne and regional Victoria – including 750 new spaces at Pakenham and East Pakenham, 500 spaces and a new eight-bay bus interchange at Tarneit and 500 car parks at Frankston.

The program has also delivered 390 accessible spaces, 15 secure Parkiteer bicycle cages, more than 700 bicycle hoops, two bus interchanges, and upgrades to CCTV and lighting – making it easier and safer for people to catch the train.

Quotes attributable to Acting Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Murray Watt:

"We have partnered with Victoria to deliver new and upgraded car parks across the state so that it's easier for people to hop on the train and get where they need to go."

Quotes attributable to Victorian Minister for Transport Infrastructure Gabrielle Williams:

"By backing these car park projects in Melbourne and across regional Victoria, we're delivering for communities in our fast-growing suburbs – making it easier for families to use public transport and helping to ease congestion in local streets."

Quote attributable to Federal Member for Gorton Alice Jordan-Baird:

"This new carpark will offer modern, secure parking options and will mean easier commutes and less congestion."

Quote attributable to Member for Sydenham Natalie Hutchins MP

"The 485 new car parks at Watergardens will make a huge difference for our community and make it much easier for people to catch the train."

11 September 2025

MEDIA CONTACTS:

MINISTER WATT - KALLISTA KAVAL 0474 048 152

MINISTER WILLIAMS - LLOYD SKINNER 0457 138 807