

Media Release

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BETTER CAR PARK PART OF NEW HUNTINGDALE TRANSPORT HUB

The Andrews Labor Government will upgrade the teardrop gravel car park and build a new \$5 million bus interchange, turning the Huntingdale Station precinct into a modern, safe and accessible transport hub.

Minister for Public Transport Jacinta Allan joined Member for Oakleigh Steve Dimopoulos and representatives from Monash Council and University at Huntingdale Station today to announce that the existing gravel car park across Huntingdale Road from the station will be paved and painted with proper line markings.

The current car park was ignored by the previous Liberal Government and is prone to pot holes, flooding and rubbish dumping. Asphaltting it will improve safety for passengers who park and ride from Huntingdale station.

The car park upgrade will cost approximately \$2.6 million and comes on top of the \$5 million that the Andrews Labor Government has invested in the new Huntingdale Bus interchange. The new interchange will include facilities for buses, taxis and bikes, as well as a drop off area for passengers getting a lift to the station.

The combined \$7.6 million transformation of transport links at Huntingdale will make it easier for the 6,000 students, staff and other passengers who travel to and from the station and surrounding precinct every weekday.

The new bus interchange and upgraded car park will be delivered by Public Transport Victoria, in close consultation Monash City Council and Monash University, who contributed \$200,000 to the bus interchange upgrade.

Onsite investigations will begin in the coming weeks, with construction expected to start next year and be complete by the end of 2017.

Quotes attributable to the Minister for Public Transport Jacinta Allan

“This long-overdue upgrade to the Huntingdale Station precinct will make it easier for the 6,000 students, staff and other passengers who use this critical transport interchange every-day.”

“The Andrews Labor Government promised it would transform Huntingdale’s transport hub, and we are getting on with it and going even further, improving car parking at the same time.”

Quotes attributable to Member for Oakleigh Steve Dimopoulos

“The former Liberal Government ignored the Huntingdale Station precinct, which is a gateway to Monash University, the Clayton Innovation Precinct and the Monash Employment Cluster.”

“The Andrews Labor Government is not wasting a moment delivering this \$7.6 million boost to transport, which will benefit students, passengers and local businesses in Huntingdale.”

Quotes attributable to Monash University Director Business Support Facilities and Services Paul Barton

“Monash welcomes the upgrade to Huntingdale Station and sees it as one of many opportunities to improve public transport access to Monash University, the largest education provider in the education state.”