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TRAM IMPROVEMENT WORK

Tram track renewal

Victoria Street and Church Street intersection, Richmond
Saturday 8 April to Tuesday 11 April 2017

As part of the modernisation of Melbourne's tram network, Yarra Trams and Public Transport Victoria are renewing tram tracks at the intersection of Victoria and Church Streets in Richmond.



Timing

Preliminary work will begin on Wednesday 5 April 2017 and will involve the unloading and pre-welding of rails.

Major work will occur at the intersection of Victoria and Church Streets in Richmond. Works will commence at 12:01 am on Saturday 8 April and will continue 24 hours a day until 5am Tuesday 11 April 2017.



Pedestrians

The work zone will be fenced off for safety however footpaths will remain open to allow pedestrian access to all businesses located around the work zone.



Noise and dust

Associated noise and dust from machinery, vehicles and work crews is unavoidable but Yarra Trams will do all it can to keep this to a minimum. The noisiest work will occur between 6am and 10pm, however there may be a need to conduct noisy work outside these hours to ensure that the work is completed by 5am Tuesday 11 April 2017.



Supporting the local community

Businesses at the intersection of Victoria Street and Church Street will remain open during the work period. Yarra Trams encourages you to continue to show your support for traders during this time.



Benefits

The curved tram tracks within the work-zone are approximately 40 years old and require renewing. The renewed tracks will deliver a better road surface for cyclists and tram passengers, produce less tram noise due to potholes, broken rails and wheel squealing, and will be quicker to repair in the future due to the use of new semi resilient materials.



Road closures for motorists

Due to the nature of works, there will be a number of road closures in place from 12:01 am Saturday 8 April until 5am Tuesday 11 April 2017.

- Victoria Street will be closed between Albert Street and Fairchild Street.

- Church Street will be closed between Princes Street and Baker Street.

Detours will be in place for the duration of the works. Traffic Controllers will be in place to direct traffic and help facilitate access where needed.



Tram passengers

Route 12, 78 and 109 tram services will be affected. For more details closer to the time, please visit yarratrams.com.au/servicechanges

