

Update 2

Tram improvement work

Tram track and overhead renewal

Junction of Smith Street and Queens Parade, Clifton Hill

10pm Friday 1 June to 5am Tuesday 5 June 2018

(Preliminary works start 7am Wednesday 30 May)

As part of the modernisation of Melbourne's tram network, Yarra Trams and Public Transport Victoria are renewing tram tracks at the junction of Smith Street and Queens Parade in Clifton Hill.

Timing

Tram works will occur in Clifton Hill on Smith Street from the Smith Street and Queens Parade junction to Alexandra Parade.

- Preliminary works will start at 7am Wednesday 30 May continuing as required.
- Major works will start at 2:01 am on Saturday 2 June and will continue 24 hours a day until 5am Tuesday 5 June.

Melbourne Water works

Melbourne Water has already temporarily closed the right hand turn lane from Alexandra Parade into Smith Street (city-bound).

From 10pm on Friday 1 June to 5am Tuesday 5 June Melbourne Water will be replacing the drain deck under Smith Street within the Alexandra Parade intersection. The intersection will be closed and at night lanes on Alexandra Parade will be closed for the works. Through traffic on Alexandra Parade will be maintained however expect delays during night time.

Melbourne Water will complete their works alongside Yarra Trams works to minimise impact to the community.

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.

Road access

Road changes will be in place from 10pm Friday 1 June until 5am Tuesday 5 June.

- The city-bound lane on Queens Parade will be closed from 10pm Friday 1 June until 5am Tuesday 5 June.
- One lane on Queens Parade will be open for morning city-bound traffic on Monday 4 June.
- Some parking spaces along South of Queens Parade (service lane) between Wellington Street and Smith Street may be temporarily removed.
- For safety, some car parking spaces will be temporarily removed on Smith Street between Hodgkinson Street to Alexandra Parade.
- Smith Street will be closed between Queens Parade and Alexandra Parade from 10pm Friday 1 June until 5am Tuesday 5 June.

Traffic controllers will direct traffic and help facilitate local access where needed.

Benefits

The curved tracks in the work-zone are approximately 28 years old and need to be renewed.

This project will deliver replacement of tracks and overhead wires.

The renewal will also create a smoother road surface for cyclists and tram passengers.

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 5 June.

Supporting the local community

Access to local facilities will remain unchanged during the works. Yarra Trams encourages you allow some extra time when moving around the area while work is being done.

As this work is necessary to maintain a safe tram network as required by the *Rail Safety Act 2006* (Vic), Yarra Trams will not compensate any third parties for any losses incurred during the project.

Bus Passengers

The 546 bus which travels via Queens Parade will detour temporarily during this project.

Tram passengers

Route 86 tram services will operate as Route 86a, with buses replacing trams between Stop 10 Parliament Station and Stop 25 Clifton Hill Interchange diverting around the work zone.

For more details, please visit yarratrams.com.au/servicechanges

