

UPDATE 1

TRAM TRACK AND OVERHEAD RENEWALS

**St Georges Road between Scotchmer Street and Aberdeen Grove
10pm Saturday 25 November to 5am Saturday 1 December**

Public Transport Victoria (PTV) in partnership with Yarra Trams will be undertaking tram track and overhead renewal work along Route 11 on St Georges Road between Scotchmer Street, North Fitzroy to Aberdeen Grove in Northcote.



Works



Dates



Noise



Roads

Preliminary Works
Pole works

19 – 23 November

Medium level noise

Lane closures required

Major Works

10pm Saturday 24
November to 5am
Saturday 1 December

24 hour works
High during the day
between 6am to 10pm
Medium at night
between 10pm to 6am

Full road closure in
work zone. Traffic
management in place
around work zone
South bound lanes on
St Georges Rd to Merri
Creek will remain open

Post Works

To be advised

Low

To be advised

Preliminary works



In order to minimise disruption to the community, Yarra Trams will undertake preliminary rail welding from Monday 19 November to Friday 23 November along the reserve near Stop 26 (Clarke Street/St Georges Road) north of the St Georges Road and Merri Parade intersection. Pre-welding of rail and rail delivery will generate medium levels of noise.

A temporary site shed will be set up in the reserve near the corner of St Georges Road and Merri Parade.

The temporary site shed and pre-welding areas will be fenced off for safety. Please take care while moving around the work zone.



Major works



From 10pm Saturday 24 November to 5am Saturday 1 December, major work will take place 24 hours a day on St Georges Road between Scotchmer Street, Fitzroy North and Aberdeen Grove, Northcote.

Major works will include breaking out of concrete along the tram reserve, laying of new track, including a new tram cross over near the existing accessible stop at the front of the Northcote High School.

A cross over allows a tram to switch tracks and change directions to respond to network service needs. The existing cross over near Fergie Street, Fitzroy North will be removed as part of these major works. The crossover removal works will require a closure of St Georges Road between Scotchmer Street to Park Street from 10pm Saturday November to 5am Saturday 1 December.

The major works will require the closure of the northbound lane of St Georges Road between Clauscen Street to Northcote High School. St Georges Road northbound lane closed from Merri Pde to Aberdeen Grove.

Tram passengers and public transport changes



Route 11 trams will be affected. There will be tram replacement buses to help passengers get to their destinations.

For more details closer to the time, including bus replacement routes, please visit yarratrams.com.au/servicechanges

Local businesses



The businesses on St Georges Road and Merri Parade will remain open during the works. Pedestrian access to these businesses will remain open at all times. Vehicular access will still be possible via side streets. Please continue to support your local businesses during these essential infrastructure works.

Cyclists



There will be detours to some existing bike paths on St Georges Road as well as for the Merri Creek Trail under the St Georges Road bridge. Cyclists will be required to dismount at certain points where they share the space with pedestrians. Closure of bike path under Merri Creek Bridge from 14 – 15 November.

Please observe all signage 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 we 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 major works are completed by Saturday 1 December 2018.

Pedestrians



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

Please note that there will be kerb to kerb fencing which will limit pedestrian crossings. These fences are required to ensure public safety during the works.

Local community



Access to shops and local infrastructure will remain unchanged during the works. Yarra Trams encourages you to 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 Management Act 1996 (Vic), Yarra Trams will not compensate any third parties for any losses incurred during the project.

Motorists



Due to the nature of the major works, St Georges Road through traffic will be impacted between Scotchmer Street to Aberdeen Grove.

The following table provides a summary of the staged traffic changes during the works

Work area along St Georges Road	Temporary Traffic Changes	Dates
Crossover removal work zone between Scotchmer to Park Street	Full road closure	10pm Sunday 25 November to Saturday to 5am Tuesday 27 November
Main work zone – St Georges Road between Merri Parade to Aberdeen Grove	Northbound road will be closed	10pm Saturday 24 November to 5am Thursday 29 November
Main work zone – St Georges Road between Clauscen Street to Merri Parade	Full road closure	10pm Saturday 24 November to 5am Saturday 1 December

Merri Parade, Bridge Street, Charles Street, Clarke Street, Gordon Grove and Aberdeen Grove will be open for local access only. Residents in these streets are advised to detour via High Street, Northcote when entering/exiting their street.

Please note: There will be no access to driveways adjacent the work zones and no through roads along St Georges Road during the major works road closure. It is recommended to park in side streets with access away from the work zone, noting local parking restrictions.