

# TRAM NETWORK UPGRADE

## Tram pole installation on Queens Parade and High Street between Dummett Crescent, Fitzroy North and Walker Street, Northcote

1 April 2019

Dear Resident/Business owner

Public Transport Victoria (PTV) in partnership with Yarra Trams, will be installing 12 poles to support new tram wires on the tram network on Queens Parade and High Street between Dummett Crescent, Fitzroy North and Walker Street, Northcote.

These works are the first stage of scheduled renewals to the tram infrastructure on Queens Parade/High Street in order to ensure a safe, reliable tram network that will improve operations and passenger experience.

Additional works to renew the tram tracks and upgrade associated infrastructure in this area is scheduled to take place in early June 2019. Further information on these works will be provided in the coming weeks.

### What is planned?

Work will involve the excavation of foundation holes, installation of new poles and location of underground services. Please refer to the map overleaf for new pole locations.

The foundation holes will be excavated through non-destructive digging (NDD) and will require the use of a sucker truck which may be noisy.

Work at each location will be carried out in two stages over a total of two nights and involve the following:

#### Stage One:

- Excavation of the pole foundation holes along Queens Parade/High Street
- Underground service location
- Backfill holes once testing is complete.

#### Stage Two:

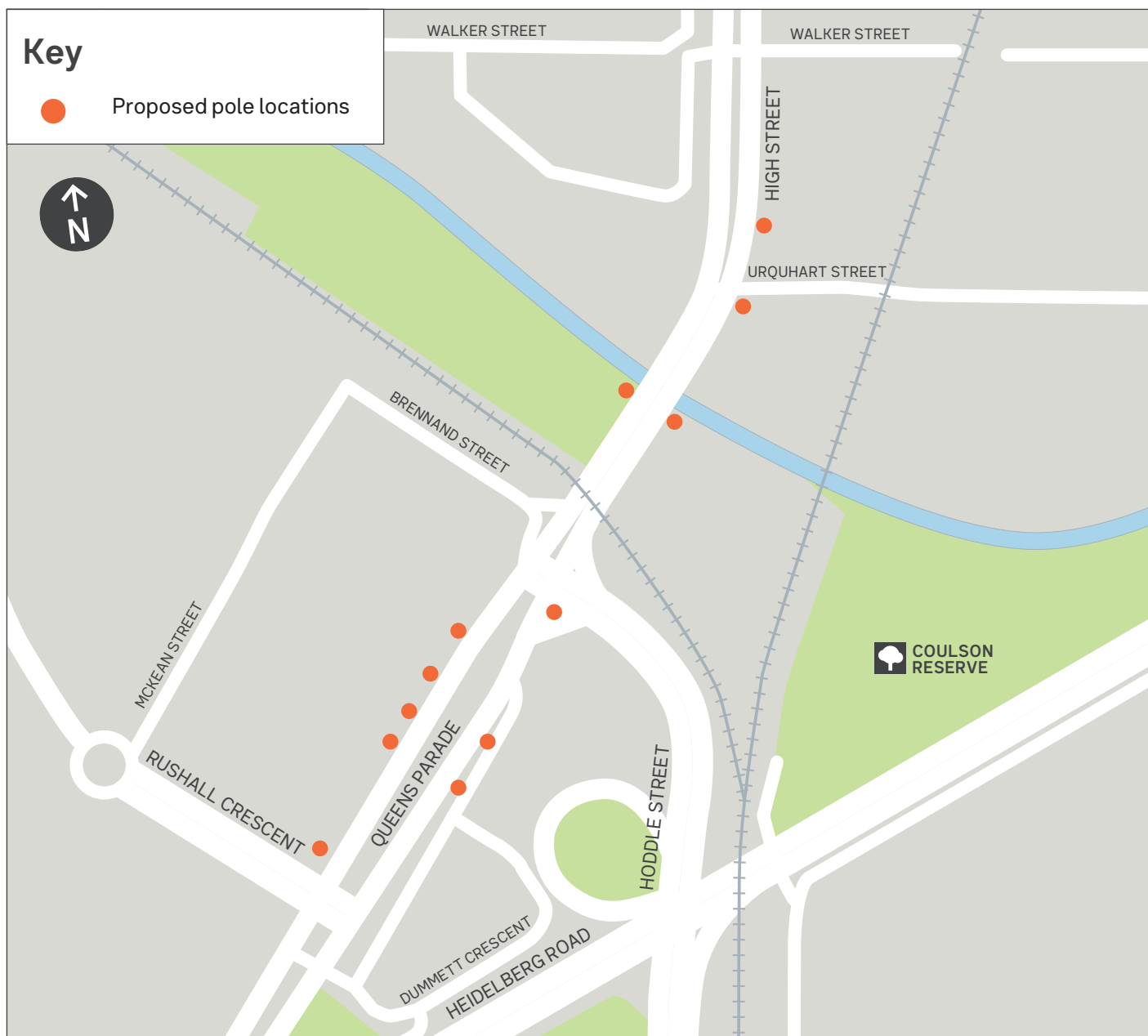
- Excavation of the backfilled pole foundation holes
- Pole installation using specialised crane and equipment and concreting the poles into place
- Clean up.

Please note that there may be some pole locations that will require additional night work to complete due to the difficult ground conditions. In this case, we also may use other methods in order to excavate the foundation holes to ensure the work is completed in a timely manner.

### When will these works take place?

Work will take place intermittently at night for five weeks from **Monday 15 April to Thursday 16 May 2019** between the hours of **10pm and 6am**. No night work is scheduled to take place on Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

We do not anticipate any disruptions to tram services during this time.



## Traffic

Due to the nature of the work, work will take place at night when traffic volumes are lower to ensure the safety of pedestrians, workers and road users.

Please take care around work sites and follow the directions of site signage and traffic controllers at all times.

## Further information

If you would like to know more about these works or wish to provide feedback, please call **1800 800 007**.

Yours sincerely,

**Project Communications and Engagement Team**