

TRANSFORMING OUR TRAIN NETWORK

THE GREENS' PLAN TO TRANSFORM MELBOURNE'S TRAIN SYSTEM



Melbourne's train system has been long neglected, resulting in overcrowding and unreliability. The Greens will transform our overcrowded, unreliable train network into a modern, high capacity, metro system.

Our modern city needs a modern transport system but Labor and Liberal governments have left us with an overcrowded and unreliable train system.

Although the Metro Tunnel project will increase the capacity of the rail network, significant improvements across the network are still needed to enable people to get where they need to go when they want to get there.

Our ageing rail network needs to be upgraded to improve reliability and increase capacity.

The Greens will transform our ageing, unreliable train lines to a reliable metro-style system by:

- Implement high capacity signalling across the entire network.
- Building more high capacity metro trains.
- Plan for further level crossing removals along key lines.

HIGH CAPACITY SIGNALING

The Greens will roll out high capacity signalling across our entire train network starting with our most congested lines first.

High capacity signalling will allow for between 24 and 30 trains per hour to run on our metropolitan tracks.

The Greens will commence high capacity signalling concurrently with the current Melbourne Metro high capacity signalling project, due to be completed in 2025, on the following priority lines.

- Mernda
- Craigieburn & Upfield
- Werribee

Following completion, high capacity signalling will be implemented on the following lines

- Belgrave & Lilydale
- Frankston
- Glen Waverley

High capacity signalling will subsequently be rolled out on the remaining network to be completed by 2032.

NEW HIGH CAPACITY TRAINS

Modernising our rail fleet by replacing old rolling stock with newer high capacity trains will reduce overcrowding on our rail network.

The Greens will order an additional 100 high capacity trains over the next decade, on top of the current order for Melbourne Metro and upgrade lines to cater for new trains.

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LEVEL CROSSING REMOVALS

The Greens will plan for further level crossing removals on a corridor by corridor basis, to facilitate increased train frequencies, following the completion of the current program in 2022.

COST

The Greens policy platform will be fully costed and funded.

The Greens will invest the following to transform our rail network:

- \$5 billion for high capacity signaling out to 2032;
- \$3.5 billion over 10 years for new High Capacity Metro Trains;
- \$20 million to plan for future level crossing removals.