



# **Caledonian Avenue Level Crossing: Closing Friday 15 April 2022**



With the first trains soon expected to start operational testing on the new Airport line, the closure of the Caledonian Avenue Level Crossing has been confirmed for Friday 15 April 2022.\*

From approximately 7pm on this date, the level crossing will be permanently closed to all road users, including bike riders and walkers.

Motorists will be able to cross the rail line at Seventh Avenue Bridge, Third Avenue Bridge or Hotham Bridge, which are all within a short distance of the level crossing.

Bike riders and walkers wanting to cross the rail line will be able to use the Maylands Station underpass, which is approximately 350m from the existing level crossing. Other pedestrian crossings are available at Seventh Avenue Bridge, Third Avenue Bridge, Meltham Station overpass or Hotham Bridge (see map overleaf).

#### What to expect?

A variety of works are required to support the closure of the level crossing, both within the rail reserve and on the surrounding roads.

Some of these activities will need to be completed prior to the closure date, while other activities will be completed once the level crossing is no longer operational.

Residents and road users should expect a combination of day and nightworks, as well as traffic management, so this work can be safely completed.

Your patience during this time is appreciated.

\*subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances.

















Alternative railway crossing points

#### Maylands road improvements to support the level crossing closure

In consultation with key stakeholders and a Community Reference Group established in late 2021, Main Roads is now developing a series of local road improvements to enhance safety, connectivity and community amenity and support the ongoing development of Maylands as a diverse and thriving town centre.

Following the level crossing closure, Main Roads will establish a protected cycle lane on Railway Parade, between Meltham Station and the Maylands Station underpass.

Other road improvements being considered include:

- New traffic signals at the Guildford Road and Seventh Avenue intersection.
- Pedestrian upgrades and turning arrows for vehicles at the already signalised intersection of Guildford Road and Eighth Avenue.
- Two dedicated traffic lanes in each direction on Whatley Crescent, between Hotham Bridge and Garratt
- Traffic signals and a new right turn onto Whatley Crescent at the Hotham Bridge.



- Revised intersection configuration at Whatley Crescent and Caledonian Avenue.
- Reduced speeds and traffic calming in the Maylands town centre.

Once finalised, these improvements will be delivered over the next three to four years. This will ensure the network can continue to operate safely and efficiently and make it safer for riders, walkers and road users to access the Maylands town centre.

## The State Government has allocated \$15 million to this project.

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