A multi-million dollar project at Claremont Station will improve passenger experience, increase service frequency and allow direct access to the Forrestfield-Airport Link.

Passengers between Claremont and Bayswater stations will greatly benefit when the Forrestfield-Airport Link opens, with a five-minute service frequency during peak times.

Station upgrade

An upgrade of Claremont Station’s facilities, including bringing the station up to current Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) standards, will be undertaken.

The Claremont Station Project will include:

- Upgrading station facilities
- Modifying the existing principal shared path (PSP)
- Revising station access, including removing the existing pedestrian level crossings to improve safety
- Future-proofing the station by extending the platform to 150 metres to accommodate six-car trains

Trackwork

This project will see the installation of two turnbacks which will allow trains to turn (back towards Perth) at Claremont Station.

The trackwork will include:

- Installing two turnback facilities west of Claremont Station
- Realigning existing rail infrastructure

Heritage

Recognising the important history at Claremont, heritage infrastructure will be carefully considered during the design process.

Disability Discrimination Act

Proposed station works will bring Claremont Station up to current DDA standards. While the station design is yet to start, to achieve compliance the upgrade will include wheelchair/gopher friendly design, tactile pavers and upgraded ramps or new lifts.

Why Claremont Station

A number of alternative locations were considered. With LandCorp’s nearby Claremont on the Park residential development, the Claremont Station Project fits with METRONET’s vision of upgrading rail infrastructure to meet precinct development opportunities.

Claremont Station was also chosen because it has the space within the rail corridor and is located half way along the Fremantle Line, which is the ideal location for trains to maintain a higher frequency service for the inner stations.
Frequently asked questions

**What will the station look like?**
The design has not yet started as the design contract is yet to be awarded. The station design will take into account the nearby heritage infrastructure and ensure any new buildings or upgrades complement the surrounding area.

**Will there still be access across the tracks when the level crossings are removed?**
Yes. Maintaining connections within the community, particularly from the nearby residential development to Claremont’s retail precinct, is extremely important and will be included in the design process.

**Why do the trains need to run more frequently?**
To meet the expected growing demand for public transport from the Forrestfield-Airport Link and along the Fremantle and Midland lines, train frequency must increase. It is expected that during peak times, a train will be needed every five minutes. To support this service increase a turning point is needed before Fremantle Station to maintain the network’s efficiency.

**Will the new turnback generate noise?**
Following the design process noise modelling will be conducted to determine what, if any, measures are needed to mitigate additional noise levels.

**Why do you need to change the principal shared path (PSP)?**
The new station access will require additional space either side of the tracks. This is likely to result in temporary and/or permanent relocation of some sections of the PSP.

**What is being done to ensure a safe interface between passengers and cyclists?**
The PTA will be trialling new slowing techniques on the PSP to the north of Claremont Station to increase the safety of both pedestrians and cyclists. These methods will be finalised along with the station access design.

**Will trees or plants be affected?**
Until the design is completed we do not know if any trees or plants will be impacted. However, we will work with the Town of Claremont to minimise any impact to existing plants. Landscaping will also be an important feature in the upgrade’s design.

**How can the community get involved?**
The PTA’s Project Communications Team will work closely with the community during the design and construction of the Claremont Station Project. Opportunities to be involved in the project will be provided once the contractors are engaged. Until then, community members are encouraged to contact the team via projects@pta.wa.gov.au or 13 62 13.

**Construction activity**
While specific construction impacts will be clearly communicated to affected stakeholders as the project progresses, the following potential impacts are anticipated:

- Passenger disruptions due to temporary line and station closures, with replacement buses operating;
- Temporary pedestrian and cyclist detours while realigning the shared path and closure of pedestrian level crossings; and
- Noise and vibration associated with construction activities. Some construction activity is expected to take place outside of standard hours.

**Where are we now?**
The project is currently in the procurement phase. The design tender will be released to market in May.

**Project timeline**
- **Design work starts**
  - Late-2018
- **Construction starts (forward works)**
  - Mid-2019
- **Turnback facilities commissioned**
  - Late-2020
- **Expected completion**
  - Early-2021

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