

Transport Access Program

Como Station Upgrade

Project update July 2021

Transport for NSW is upgrading Como Station to make it easier for everyone to access, including people with a disability or limited mobility, parents/carers with prams, and customers with luggage.



Installation of the Como Parade lift was successful in the month of June.

Upcoming work

Construction of the Como Station Upgrade is currently underway. Work will continue throughout July and includes:

- Installation of Como Parade lift
- Electrical & communication commissioning work
- Installation of lighting to the new platform canopy
- Commissioning of newly installed photovoltaic glass panels
- · Tactile installation to newly asphalted platform surface
- Construction work for the new Como Parade stairs
- Construction work for the new retaining wall on Como Parade including sandstone block install
- Partial carpark releveling and resurfacing
- Como Parade kiss and ride install
- · Installation of upper and lower awning to Como Parade lift shaft

Equipment to be used includes excavators, hammer drills, bobcats, concrete trucks and pumps, hand held saws, large cranes and power tools.

Temporary changes to the station platforms

As part of the station upgrade, new permanent tactile ground surface indicators will be installed. These are raised markings placed parallel to the platform edge to warn pedestrians with vision impairment.

The existing tactile ground surface indicators will be removed during weekend work on 26 June to allow the asphalt placement. The new surface needs time to cure before the new tactiles can be installed. Installation of new tactiles will commence from Monday 5 July, with completion expected by mid-July.

During this period, non-slip hazard tape and directional signage will be temporarily installed, additional staff whilst trains are running, and regular station announcements will be made to ensure the safety of customers. Customers and residents with vision impairments will be individually briefed. Work areas will be marked using bollards and tape and always supervised. Work will pause while customers board and alight the trains.

Updates to Como Station platform – new canopy panels

Following the weekend work on 26-27 June, the Como Station platform will have a brand-new look. During the possession weekend the new canopy structure will be installed, including Photovoltaic (PV) panels.

As a commitment to sustainable construction practises there has been an innovative design change made to the Como Station canopy roofing material, this being the introduction of photovoltaic glass in lieu of typical metal roof sheeting.



The glass performs like a traditional laminated glass panel. The solar cells placed in between the glass layers generate electricity, offsetting the majority of the station power demands thus reducing the carbon footprint. As the PV cells are spaced apart within the glass, light can still pass through providing natural light and power generation at the same time

The product can now be seen on the platform canopies and looks like square inserts into the glass.

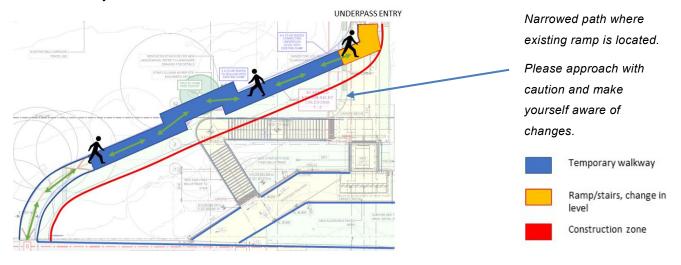
Ongoing temporary changes to parking

Up to 20 car park spaces are temporarily closed in the northern end of the Commuter Car Park, with reopening expected in **August 2021.** Whenever possible, parking spaces will be reopened and made available for customer use during these times. These temporary closures are essential to enable safe excavation, concrete pours, and initial installation work for the new lift. Parking will be reinstated gradually as construction progresses. Traffic control measures will be in place for the safety of motorists and pedestrians, as required.

Temporary changes to access for pedestrians

From mid-April, access was reinstated to and from Como Parade via the station underpass. There have been some changes to the reinstated access including a ramp, narrow pathway and stairs near the station entry. Customers requiring ramp-only access will need to continue to access the station via the existing Railway Road bridge detour.

The area surrounding the Como Parade station entrance will be used for minor construction activities including the movement of excavated materials. Short intermittent closures may occur, however these closures will be scheduled outside of peak hours and between train arrivals to minimise the disruption to the community.



Construction hours

To support the industry and continue the delivery of critical infrastructure, the NSW Government has introduced new rules allowing construction sites to operate on weekends and public holidays. Standard construction hours are now **7am to 6pm every day**, **including Sundays and public holidays**. These changes have been made to facilitate social distancing on construction sites and support the health and wellbeing of workers.

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