



## Metropolitan Transport Plan - Connecting the City of Cities

Yesterday the NSW Government released the Metropolitan Transport Plan, a vision for the future which combines land use planning with a 10-year, \$50.2 billion fully funded plan for transport infrastructure. The Metropolitan Transport Plan will create new and improved connections among regional cities and centres, building the infrastructure to respond to the challenges of our growing population.

Key features of the Metropolitan Transport Plan's include:

- The \$4.5 billion Western Express CityRail Service – a separate dedicated rail track providing express train services for the Blue Mountains, Richmond, Penrith, Blacktown and Parramatta.
- Construction of eight new platforms to increase capacity at Redfern, Central, Town Hall and Wynyard to relieve congestion.
- The start of work on the \$6.7 billion North West rail link from Epping to Rouse Hill with six stations at Franklin Road, Castle Hill, Hills Centre, Norwest, Burns Road and Rouse Hill.
- A \$500 million expansion of light rail system, including a new light rail circuit from Circular Quay via Barangaroo to Haymarket and the extension of light rail from Lilyfield to Dulwich Hill.
- \$2.9 billion to improve bus services including 1,000 new buses and Strategic Bus Corridors.
- \$3.1 billion for new trains over the next 10 years, in addition to the 626 new Waratah carriages that will roll-out this year.
- \$158 million to build new cycleways and complete missing links.
- More than \$400 million for commuter car parks
- A \$57 million Commuter Infrastructure Fund for local transport partnerships – such as improved and easy access for people with disabilities and more awnings and shelters at rail stations.

The plan builds on the new MyZone simpler public transport fares that will begin on April 18. To see how this reform will benefit you, please visit <http://www.myzone.nsw.gov.au>.

You can have your say about the Metropolitan Transport Plan as part of a public submission process at <http://www.shapeyourstate.nsw.gov.au>. Your feedback will be used as part of the Government's review of future land use planning.

Yours sincerely

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