

News release - Stephen Mullighan

Tram services resume after construction works for new junction

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Tram services between Victoria Square and the Entertainment Centre resume this morning after works for the first two extensions of Adelaide's tram network.

Trams will return to normal service along the full length of the Glenelg line after construction works at the intersection of North Terrace and King William Street, and the final stage of the Tour Down Under.

The works involved building one of the most complex tram junctions in Australia to accommodate the first stages of three new tram networks:

- A city loop around the CBD
- A new route through Kent Town to the eastern suburbs
- A new route to North Adelaide

Over the weekend, tracks were installed at the intersection of Pulteney Street and North Terrace for the City Tram Extension project, while the final tracks will be laid at Gawler Place this coming weekend.

The works include excavating, loading and removal of dirt, preparing and laying of tram tracks and concrete pouring.

Access to businesses, carparks and properties will be maintained at all times.

Other works for the final stages of the project include:

- SAPN works to modify the lids of five existing high voltage SAPN pits along North Terrace. This is progressing in four stages between Frome Street and Gawler Place.
- Installation of overhead wiring
- Installation of tram stops
- Light pole installation and traffic signal modifications

Background

The Gawler Place intersection works are scheduled to commence from 11pm on Friday 26 January and will be completed by 6am on Monday 29 January, weather permitting.

Roads will remain open at all times, however, speed and lane restrictions will be in place in the vicinity of the works. Right-turn movements will not be permitted through the intersections during the work periods.

Further information about the project is available the City Tram Extension [website](#).

Quotes attributable to Transport and Infrastructure Minister Stephen Mullighan

Jobs are the South Australian Government's number one priority and throughout the course of this construction phase up to 250 workers have been on site over a 24-hour period.

This project is also providing a great boost for hundreds of South Australian workers and more than 40 South Australian based companies, which show the State Government is proudly putting local jobs first as we keep building South Australia.

I'd like to thank tram passengers for their patience during this critical stage of the extension project which has seen one of the most complex tram junctions in Australia constructed in a matter of weeks.

When it's complete this \$80 million extension will deliver a multi-destination tram network to Adelaide for the first time in 60 years.

It will also deliver the first stages of our new tram networks, around the CBD to the eastern suburbs and to North Adelaide, delivering a better public transport network for everyone.