

Dear stakeholder

I am pleased to provide you with a copy of Public Transport Victoria's rail strategy:
the Network Development Plan – Metropolitan Rail.

Since its creation on 2 April last year, Public Transport Victoria (PTV) has completed a detailed examination of how Melbourne's train system needs to evolve to meet the needs of the city and of train passengers in the short, medium and long term.

The plan is designed to:

- expand the capacity of the existing network to meet the growing needs of the city;
- re-design train services to maximise opportunities for seamless coordination with buses and trams; and
- extend the network to areas currently not served by metropolitan rail.

I believe that this plan represents the most comprehensive strategy for Melbourne's rail system in 40 years and is intended to maintain and enhance Melbourne's reputation as one of the world's most liveable cities.

The plan will be updated every 12 months and broadened to incorporate bus, tram and regional services.

If you would like a more detailed briefing on the Network Development Plan please contact PTV Director of Network Planning, Ray Kinnear on 9027 4856.

Regards



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