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Dear Mayor 

Thank you for your letter dated 15 August 2019 regarding the Sunbury Line Upgrade. I am grateful for your support and that of Council for the \$2.1 billion Sunbury Line Upgrade and the Andrews Labor Government's investment in transport infrastructure for Melbourne's west.

The Sunbury Line Upgrade (SLU) will enable the new High Capacity Metro Trains (HCMT) to run and take full advantage of the extra capacity on the rail network created by the Metro Tunnel when it opens in 2025.

The Metro Tunnel will create room for 113,000 more passengers every week on the Sunbury Line during peak periods, providing 60 per cent more peak capacity. The Western Rail Plan's investment in high capacity metro services and fast rail to regional cities will also transform Victoria's public transport network for Melbourne's west.

As part of the SLU, platforms will be extended at every station between Sunbury and Footscray, with wheelchair boarding platforms installed at eight of those stations. Power will be upgraded, and train stabling improved at Sunbury, Calder Park and Watergardens.

Works have already begun on the platform extensions and stabling modifications, with all the upgrades scheduled for completion by the end of 2023.

Thank you for your suggestion to include a new train station at Calder Park to service the surrounding communities in your municipality. At present, there are no plans for a train station at Calder Park.



If you require further information about the Sunbury Line Upgrade, please contact Damian Brizzi, Package Director, Rail Projects Victoria at damian.brizzi@railprojects.vic.gov.au.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me.

Yours sincerely



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cc Hon Natalie Hutchins MP