

Highlights 2022–23

In 2022–23 VicTrack continued to modernise our telecommunications network, including progressing the Transport and Government Secure Network (TGSN) project and upgrading the Regional Rail Communications Network. We continued to support and deliver significant rail transport projects and progress the development of previously underused railway land. We also continued to support Victoria's rich rail heritage by refurbishing former rail buildings as well as supporting our Tourist and Heritage (T&H) railway sector.

Regional Rail Communications Network (RRCN)

The Regional Rail Communications Network (RRCN) is the backbone of the train radio control for regional transport operations. Through the RRCN core automation project, the time taken to switchover between the primary and secondary control sites in the event of a major disruption has been reduced from 4.5 hours to 30 minutes, with a switchover time of five minutes to be achieved by late 2023.



Bendigo Metro 3

As part of the Bendigo and Echuca Line Upgrade, VicTrack built three new stations in Greater Bendigo on behalf of Rail Projects Victoria. The Bendigo Metro 3 project delivered new stations at Goornong, Huntly and Raywood, giving residents easier access to train services where they live. The project was completed in July 2022.

Transport and Government Secure Network

VicTrack is delivering the TGSN project, an end-to-end integrated telecommunications platform that improves the network's capacity, performance and reliability, needed for our transport, government and wholesale customers. As roll out of the network infrastructure is nearing completion, the TGSN project team is working with our customers to migrate telecommunications services to the network. The migration of legacy services was 72 per cent complete as of 30 June 2023.



Tourist and Heritage (T&H) rail and tram operator grants

VicTrack and the then Department of Transport provided a total of \$400,000 to sixteen T&H groups for a range of projects to preserve or restore heritage rail assets that they operate.



Community Use of Vacant Rail Buildings

Work has continued to refurbish historic disused railway station buildings, which can then be used by local community groups and visitors. Work to restore and refurbish five buildings at Harcourt, Newstead, Korumburra, Patchewollock and Woomelang were completed in 2022–23. A further four restorations will be complete in 2023–24.

Hampton Quarter

A joint venture property development project next to Hampton Station known as Hampton Quarter is progressing, and will feature 159 one-to-three bedroom apartments, four retail tenancies and 18 social housing units. Construction began in February 2022 and completion is anticipated mid-2024.



Car Parks for Commuters

VicTrack delivered over 400 new and upgraded parking spaces at Gisborne, Kyneton, Riddells Creek, North Shore and Beaufort as part of the Car Parks for Commuters Program. VicTrack also delivered an upgrade of the car park at Cobblebank Station in the growing western suburbs.

VicTrack also progressed the delivery of the new 640-space car park at Belgrave Station, which is scheduled for completion in the second half of 2023.

