

# Hurstbridge Station car park upgrade

Summary of community feedback  
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VicTrack







72% say increasing parking is most important to them

The Victorian Government is delivering up to 120 new and upgraded commuter car parking spaces at Hurstbridge Station.

The car park will be built west of the railway line, along Graysharps Road.

On 17 October 2018, we asked the Hurstbridge community to have their say and help inform the design of the new car park at a community information session.

An online survey was available on the VicTrack website from 17 to 30 October 2018.

## Who we heard from

This report summarises the feedback we received from 45 survey participants.

We heard from local residents (67 per cent), commuters (42 per cent), business owners and community groups.

Most survey participants (72 per cent) drive and park at Hurstbridge Station.

On average, participants travel four kilometres to catch the train. They also use alternative stations including Eltham, Wattle Glen, Watsonia and Greensborough.

## What we heard

Increasing the number of car parking spaces at Hurstbridge Station is the top priority among survey participants, with more than 70 per cent indicating this is the most important part of the project.

Improving safety with CCTV and lighting is the second most important consideration for the project, highlighted by more than 50 per cent of participants.

Many participants (44 per cent) requested safe pedestrian access from the car park to the station with links to existing footpaths and the retail precinct.

## Next steps

Planning for the new car park is well underway.

The design and the approvals process is taking place throughout 2019 and construction will follow.

Project updates are available at [www.victrack.com.au](http://www.victrack.com.au).



When considering the Hurstbridge Station car park upgrade, what is most important to you?

People said:

Parking

72 per cent of survey participants indicated increased parking to be the most important consideration of the project.

Feedback focused on the importance of future proofing the design for population growth and requests for additional disabled parking.

Comments included:

*"More parking spaces so adequate parking in the future is assured."*

*"Extra disabled parking."*

Safety

Improved safety with CCTV and lighting is also important to the community, with 53 per cent highlighting it as the second most important consideration.

Pedestrian access

Safe pedestrian access was another key consideration, with 44 per cent of survey participants rating it as the third most important.

Feedback included requests for improved pedestrian access to the station and retail precinct, and an additional entrance to the platform from the north end of the station and Graysharps Road.

Comments included:

*"I'd also like to see an additional entrance to the platform from the north end of the station, particularly given more people will be entering the station from the Graysharps road carpark."*

*"We need the pedestrian pathways to link to existing paths as well."*

Other considerations

25 per cent of participants highlighted improved bicycle facilities as fourth most important.

37 per cent rated protecting the natural environment as fifth most important.

Protecting the trees in the station precinct were mentioned in three survey responses.

30 per cent rated preserving local landmarks and cultural heritage as sixth most important, to maintain the rural and heritage feel of Hurstbridge.

Comments included:

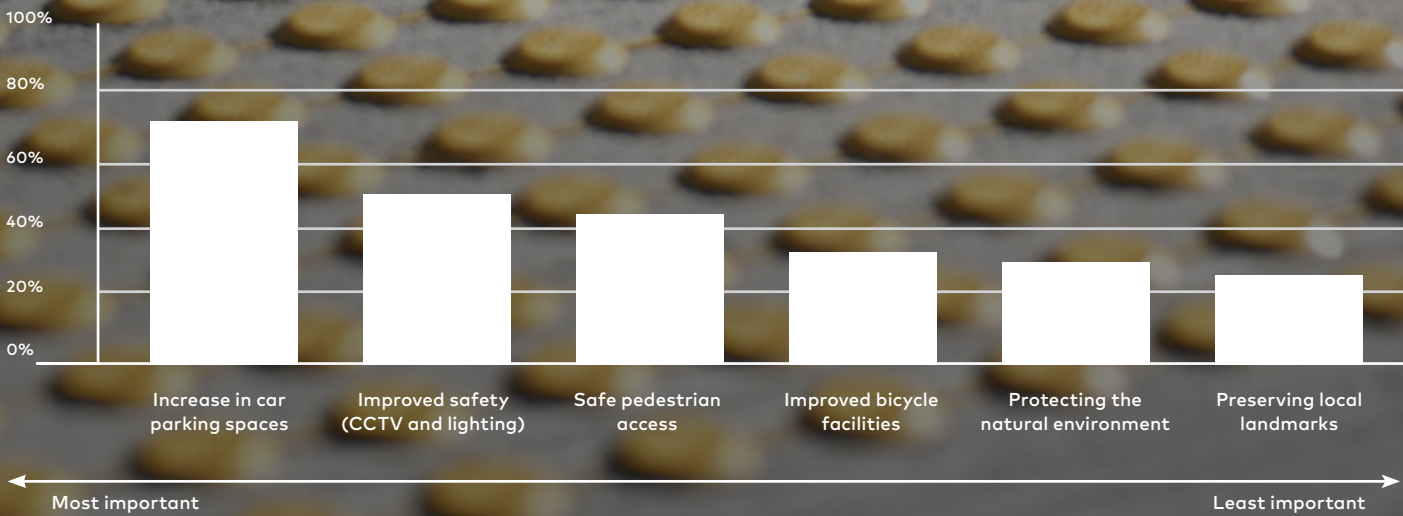
*"Preservation of trees, landscaping to beautify the whole area."*

*"Protect 'Hursts' tree"*

*"Don't destroy the rural feel with lots of curbing. Hurstbridge still has a village feel."*

"Better access from Graysharps Road and secure bike parking"

Community survey comment



What is most important to the community