



Elster Creek Sewerage Capacity Upgrade

South East Water manages a proactive infrastructure program which involves replacing, maintaining and upgrading the existing water and sewerage infrastructure above and below the ground, so you can always rely on us when you need a drink, a bath, to wash the clothes or dishes and every time you flush or send water down the drain.

We're upgrading the ageing Elster Creek sewer in the Bentleigh and Bentleigh East area to increase the capacity of the sewer network to cater for population growth and future proof the sewerage system.

Higgins Road

Works are progressing well along Higgins Road and the surrounding area as part of the Elster Creek Sewerage Capacity Upgrade.

The Higgins Road area is the first of three areas in Bentleigh where the Elster Creek Sewerage Capacity Upgrade will be undertaken. The other two include McKinnon Reserve and Ellen Street, Bentleigh East area.

Local residents living on or nearby to Higgins Road and Wood Street will have noticed deep excavation works at the Lawson Street roundabout. This is the final location of works for the Higgins Road sewer alignment and will be completed with the construction of a new manhole.

Reinstatement will follow to ensure we leave things how we found them and return any areas we've impacted as close as possible to their original condition.

Work will continue Monday to Friday between 7 am and 5 pm and occasionally on Saturdays. Anticipated finish date is mid July 2023, weather permitting.

McKinnon Reserve

Park users and dog walkers who visit McKinnon Reserve on Tucker Road will see the final stages of reinstatement is underway as works begin to wind down.

McKinnon Reserve is a key area for the overall upgrade project due to the installation of two retention tanks to manage current and future sewer overflows during storm events, protecting the local community and the environment from spills.

Ellen Street

Weather permitting, upgrade works are scheduled to start on Ellen Street from Monday 29 May 2023, this is the final stage of the upgrade program.

Key facts



Approximately 1.6 kilometres of new pipe has been laid to upgrade the Elster Creek Sewer.



Approximately 1.1 million litres of sewage go through the Elster Creek Sewer system every day.



The 5th micro-tunnel installation for the project has been completed on Higgins Road in February this year.



Installation of the two underground retention tanks at McKinnon Reserve will provide the local sewer network an additional 320kl of capacity.



Find out more

Scan the QR code or visit s.sew.com.au/ElsterCreek to find out more info about this project.



Project timeline

Early March 2022

- Pre construction
- Site investigations
- Design finalised

Mid October 2022

Construction commenced in Higgins Road, Bentleigh.

Late November 2022

Construction commenced at McKinnon Reserve.

May 2023

- McKinnon Reserve works to be completed and reinstated.
- Construction commences at the Ellen Street, Bentleigh East area.

Mid July 2023*

Higgins Road, Bentleigh works to be completed and reinstated.

Late 2023*

Ellen Street, Bentleigh East works to be completed and reinstated.



Ellen Street (continued)

Between 29 May and late November 2023, through traffic from Tucker Road to East Boundary Road will be closed during these works.

At the start of works, traffic on Tucker Road will be reduced to one lane for approximately four weeks until late June 2023.

Jasper Road Brewer Road intersection upgrade - VicRoads

VicRoads' works to install traffic lights at the Jasper Road and Brewer Road intersection in Bentleigh are scheduled to commence from late May until August 2023.

Project crews are anticipated to be onsite between 9 am and 3 pm Monday to Friday.

Temporary lane closures and traffic management will be in place - please follow signage and directions and allow extra time for travel in the local area.

Please contact VicRoads for further information at the following link:

www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/melbourne-road-projects

Thank you for your patience

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we work to improve the sewerage infrastructure in your area. We'll try to complete these essential works as quickly as possible.

Need to get in touch?

We're here to help, so here's how to reach our project team:

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Faults and emergencies 13 28 12 (24hrs)

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(8am – 6pm, Mon – Fri)

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