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Infrastructure projects transformed through urban design

The Level Crossing Removal Authority (LXRA) is redefining how the State delivers infrastructure projects, through embedding best practice urban design processes across engineering streams to maximise community benefits and investment in local areas.

A robust system of processes, requirements and documents help guide and deliver high quality urban design outcomes and set the strategic direction for urban design across the entire program of works.

The Level Crossing Removal Project (LXRP) is critical in ensuring Melbourne's transport infrastructure responds to population pressures. The program is about more than just road and rail projects. These are city shaping projects that will create a lasting legacy across Melbourne.

By integrating the principles and practices of urban design and place making, the State can deliver a broader range of benefits for current and future Victorians. These include creating new public spaces and places for local communities; reconnecting communities across the rail corridor and to activity centres; context sensitive design outcomes and station location and entrances; inclusion of public art; local identity through architectural form and landscape; improved local amenity; and integration of retail areas to activate spaces.

The Urban Design Advisory Panel (UDAP) champions urban design outcomes throughout the project lifecycle, which ensures that urban design objectives and principles are achieved. UDAP ensures that key learnings from completed projects and works-in-progress are shared across projects to add value to outcomes throughout the life of the program.

Integral to delivering great urban design outcomes is a multi-disciplinary collaborative approach, to foster and build relationships across the organisation, and to ensure a shared responsibility for the legacy of the program.