### Forrestfield-Airport Link METRONET

# Airport Central Station

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## ABOUT THE PROJECT

The \$1.86 billion Forrestfield-Airport Link is jointly funded by the Australian and Western Australian governments and will deliver a new rail service to the eastern suburbs of Perth – with three new stations at Redcliffe, Airport Central and High Wycombe.

The rail link supports part of the METRONET vision for a wellconnected Perth with more transport, housing and employment choices. The Airport Line will spur off the existing Midland Line near Bayswater Station and run to High Wycombe through twin-bored tunnels.

In April 2016 the Public Transport Authority awarded the design, construct and maintenance contract to Salini Impregilo – NRW Joint Venture.

First trains will operate on the new Airport Line in the first half of 2022.

Located immediately south of the control tower adjacent to Terminals 1 and 2, Airport Central Station will significantly change travel to and from Perth Airport. One of three new stations being built as part of the Forrestfield-Airport Link project, Airport Central Station will provide travellers and airport workers with a direct 18-minute train journey to the CBD when the line opens in 2022.

#### 18 minute journey to the CBD 280m Skybridge to the terminals 2 zone fare to the CBD The underground station has been designed to create a seamless journey to and from the airport terminals via the Skybridge, an elevated and enclosed walkway featuring travelators and lifts. Passengers will enter the station via the Estimated walkway and travel by lift or escalator down to the concourse 6100



level, where the station facilities including ticketing are located.

They will then continue through the SmartRider fare gates down to the platform level to meet their train. *Continued next page* >>









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The 12.5m-wide and 150m-long platform is centrally located to provide generous space for passengers travelling with luggage. Between the airport and the Perth CBD, the fare will be a standard two-zone ticket.

The prominent exterior feature of Airport Central Station is the striking roof shape which takes inspiration from the contours of aircraft. Inside the station, various surfaces will disperse the incoming natural light throughout the building and down to the concourse and platform levels. The station's internal space, which spans over three levels, will further enhance the passenger experience, creating a backdrop for artwork installations that showcase Aboriginal heritage and culture.

Airport Central Station is closely aligned with Perth Airport's planned consolidation of all commercial services in the Airport Central precinct, and its architecture will make a significant contribution to the vision for future buildings and the visitor travel experience.



### Grand entrance to Airport Central Station

#### Visitors and locals are bound to be wowed when entering Airport Central Station's stunning atrium.

Local artist and designer Anne Neil, in collaboration with Noongar artist John Walley, will create a suspended installation visible from both the elevated walkway and concourse levels. The artwork suggests birds and flight, and is designed to shimmer slightly in the flow of air within the building.

Complementing the architecture and internal colour palette of the station, a large glass wall panel on the southern section of the building will describe the Noongar connection to the river and estuary waters, and the journeys traditionally taken in accordance with the Six Seasons.

Passengers will be able to view the extent of the artwork from the extra-wide glass lifts or the triple escalator system. At 35m long and 15m high, the main escalator is the longest single-span uninterrupted escalator in the Southern Hemisphere.



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