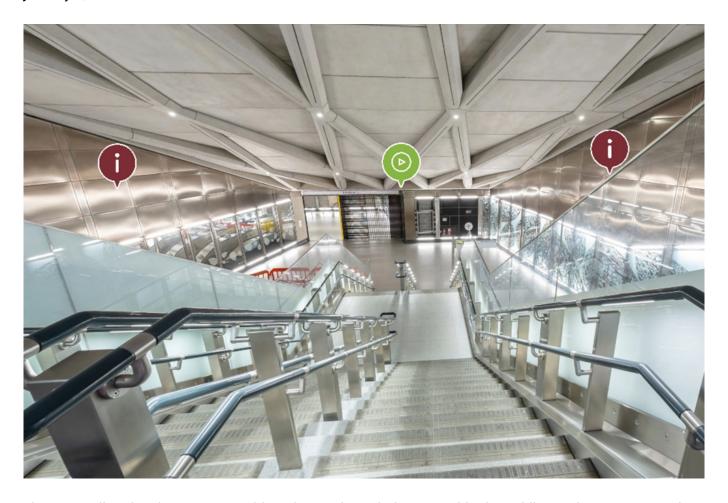


360-degree virtual tour of Farringdon Elizabeth line station launched

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The Crossrail project has come up with an innovative solution to enable the public to take a tour around an Elizabeth line station.

With open days currently off the table for the project's rapidly completing central London stations the project has turned to an online solution.

From today a 360 degree website tour of the new Farringdon station, put together by Crossrail's in-house digital team, is available for public viewing at https://360.crossrail.co.uk/far/

The website is made up of 21 panoramic 360-degree images and includes 41 pop-ups which tell the story of the design and build of the new Farringdon Elizabeth line station. It also includes more than 100 pictures from Crossrail's archive which details the station's construction.

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Mark Wild, Crossrail Chief Executive, said: "I am really pleased we have been able to create this online tour of Farringdon station so everyone can see what the Elizabeth line will look like when it opens. I know when people see a completed Elizabeth line station and the enormous addition of space and capacity they provide for London's passengers, they will be impressed.

"As the construction element of the Elizabeth line increasingly comes to an end the focus for Crossrail switches to commissioning and testing, ensuring that we have a safe and reliable railway from day one. But while that important work is ongoing its really good to be able to share this online insight into what the completed railway will look and feel like."

Additional info:

- The new 360-degree virtual tour is fully accessible for people who are vision impaired.
- Farringdon Elizabeth line station recently reached an important milestone with the completion of construction activity. Farringdon is the first of the central London stations to reach the T-12 landmark. This means the station is substantially complete and it is now considered to be 12 weeks away from being ready for handover to Transport for London (TfL), who will operate the Elizabeth line.
- · Work at the station is now focussed on the extensive testing and commissioning of systems ahead of the Elizabeth line opening.
- When the Elizabeth line opens, Farringdon station will be one of the busiest in the UK, connecting with Thameslink and the London Underground to provide links with outer London, the home counties, the City, Canary Wharf and three of London's six airports.

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