



Congestion on Eastern Valley Way

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Proposed new and extended clearways on Eastern Valley Way/ Clive Street, between Roseville Chase and Northbridge

June 2017

Roads and Maritime Services is seeking your feedback by **Friday, 7 July 2017**, on a proposal to extend the current weekday clearways and introduce new weekend clearways on Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street between Babbage Road, Roseville Chase and Sailors Bay Road, Northbridge. We are proposing this work to make your journey along Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street more reliable and safer. Introducing new weekend clearways will also ensure you get around much easier when visiting friends and family.

Current weekday clearways operate southbound from 6am to 10am and northbound from 3pm to 7pm on Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street, between Babbage Road, Roseville Chase and Sailors Bay Road, Northbridge. There are also some 'No Parking' restrictions that operate at other times along this route particularly in the north of the corridor.

We will be holding a drop-in community information session on Monday, 26 June 2017 between 6pm and 8pm at Willoughby Park Centre – Chowne Hall, corner McClelland Street and Warrane Road, Willoughby, NSW, 2068.

Why Clearways?

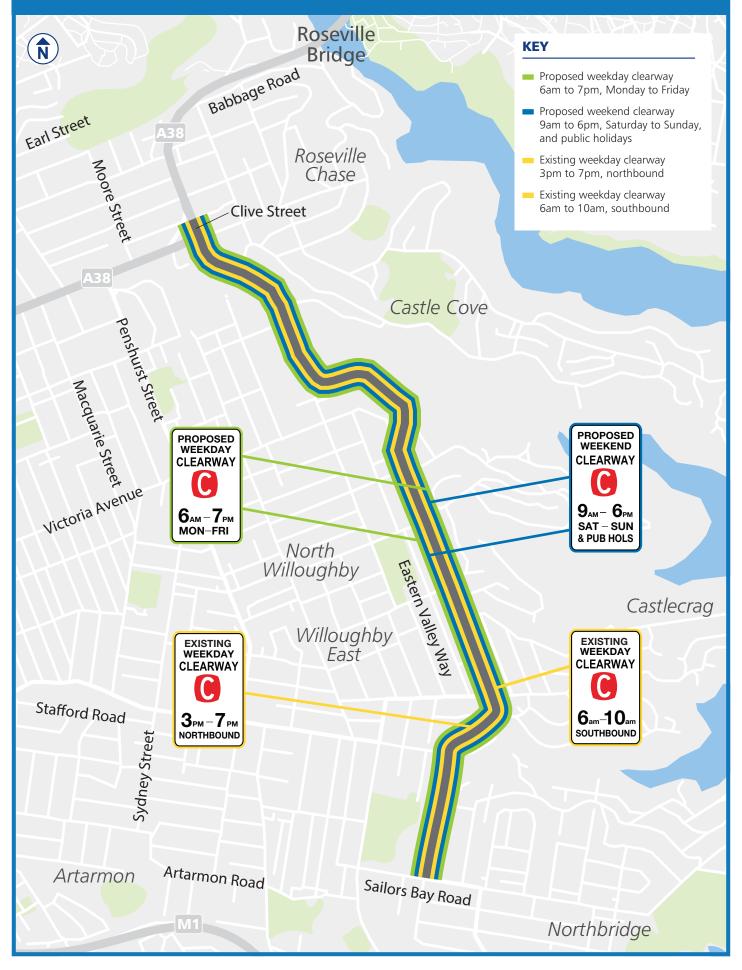
A clearway is a section of road where motorists must not stop or park during specified hours. When cars are parked in a kerbside lane, they take up a lane which could be available to traffic.

Clearways are directly aimed at reducing congestion where a road is carrying traffic close to its capacity. The proposed clearways aim to ensure that all lanes are available during the times when traffic is heavy, which is expected to reduce congestion without the need for road widening.

Key Benefits of clearways

- supporting the efficient movement of people and goods on Sydney's major roads
- facilitating more reliable journey times for motorists
- improving the reliability of Sydney's bus network
- increasing road capacity when warranted without expensive investment in widening roads
- balancing the use of kerbside lanes for motorists and for parking, when clearways are not required.

Proposed new and extended clearways on Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street from Roseville Chase to Northbridge



Background

In December 2013, the NSW Government announced the Sydney Clearways Strategy as one of its key initiatives to reduce congestion on Sydney's major roads. The NSW Government committed \$121 million to implementing the strategy and installing new clearways on Sydney's road network.

Since 2013, we've installed over 185 kilometres of new and extended clearways across some of Sydney's busiest road corridors and we are continuing to investigate new and extended weekday and weekend clearways across the network.

The Strategy identified Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street for further investigation of new and extended clearways.

Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street between Roseville Chase and Northbridge is a key corridor that provides access for the Northbridge, Castlecrag, Castle Cove and Willoughby communities to the Northern Beaches suburbs. It is a tertiary freight corridor, and is identified in 'Sydney's Bus Future' as a suburban bus route.

Investigations for new and extended clearways

The roads identified in the Sydney Clearways Strategy, including the section of Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street between Babbage Road, Roseville Chase and Sailors Bay Road, Northbridge were identified as meeting the following criteria:

- travel speeds less than 30km/h during peak periods
- traffic flow of more than 800 vehicles per flow lane, per hour
- the road is an important public transport and/or freight route for moving people and goods.

In developing this proposal, Roads and Maritime undertook further investigations, which included assessment of traffic volume data and travel speeds.

We found that on weekdays there were up to **2400** vehicles per hour travelling southbound in the morning on Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street and nearly **1800** vehicles per hour travelling northbound in the afternoon, when current clearways are in place. During daylight hours, more than **800** vehicles travel in each direction, per hour, and up to **1400** vehicles travel in each direction, per hour on weekends.

We also found that many road users on Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street during peak periods are travelling at speeds less than 30km/h. During our investigations, between Northbridge Plaza and Smith Street, speeds were as low as 14km/h on weekday afternoon peak periods and 23 km/h on weekends.

Parking Investigations

Other areas of parking, in front of residential properties along the route, including north of Edinburgh Road and around the Northbridge Plaza entrance would also be impacted by this proposal.

What hours of operation are proposed?

Following our investigations, Roads and Maritime is proposing that road users will benefit the from installation of new and extended clearways in both directions on Eastern Valley Way/Clive Street, from Babbage Road, Roseville Chase to Sailors Bay Road, Northbridge, to operate:

- Weekdays from 6am to 7pm
- Weekends and public holidays from 9am to 6pm.

Clearways work best when a common approach is taken both across the corridor and between corridors. By providing consistent hours of operation of our clearway network, it minimises the chance of confusion or a mistake by motorists.

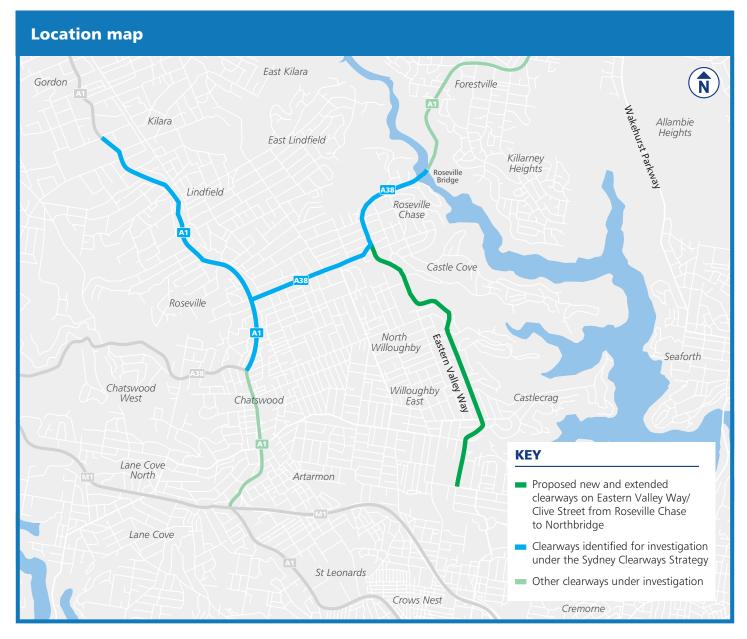
Drop-in community information session

We will host a community drop in session so you have an opportunity to your share local knowledge and feedback, and meet with members of the project team. A formal presentation will not be given, so please feel free to drop in at any time during this session.

The community information session will be held on **Monday, 26 June 2017** between **6pm and 8pm**, at:

Willoughby Park Centre – Chowne Hall Corner McClelland Street & Warrane Road, Willoughby NSW 2068





For more information on this proposal, please visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways or contact the Clearways Project Team.

Have your say

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Next steps

We would like to hear from you on this proposal by **Friday, 7 July 2017**.

We will consider all feedback received before deciding whether to proceed with the proposal. A community consultation report will be prepared summarising comments and issues raised and will be made available on our website. We will keep you updated as the proposal progresses.



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