

# New and extended weekday clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road

Between Padstow Heights and Penshurst

## Engagement Report

Roads and Maritime Services | September 2018





## Executive summary

This engagement report provides a summary of Roads and Maritime Services' engagement with the community, businesses and key stakeholders on new and extended weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst.

This corridor between Padstow Heights and Penshurst was identified in the Sydney Clearways Strategy in December 2013 for the introduction of new weekday peak period clearways. The strategy aims to help manage congestion across the Sydney road network by introducing new and extended clearways on busy roads that play an important role in moving people and goods across Sydney.

Roads and Maritime traffic investigations found that new and extended weekday peak period clearways were required on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst, to help ease congestion and improve reliability of journey travel times. Our investigation of business customer parking along this road corridor identified most businesses have on-site parking for customers. The investigations also showed that there is sufficient parking available close by in side streets during new and extended clearway times.

On 30 July 2018, Roads and Maritime informed the community and key stakeholders, including business owners, about introduction of new and extended weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst. We also asked for feedback on the proposed alternate business customer parking on Penshurst Street to offset the short stay business parking from Stoney Creek Road during the new weekday peak period clearway times (see Appendix A for the Project Update and Appendix B for distribution area).

In the announced proposal, the new and extended weekday peak period clearways hours would operate from 6am to 10am and 3pm to 7pm in both directions on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Davies Road, Padstow Heights and King Georges Road, Penshurst, as shown in Table 1 and Table 2.

During the engagement period, Roads and Maritime received:

- verbal feedback from 52 businesses following doorknocking of 71 businesses along the corridor
- verbal feedback from 24 community members at an information kiosk
- 9 written submissions from community members at an information kiosk
- 15 written submissions from businesses, residents and other stakeholders
- 4 comments on the clearways hotline
- 23 reactions and 7 comments on social media.

Note: Multiple submissions and feedback has been received from some community members.

Key matters raised included:

- support for the new and extended weekday peak period clearways
- questions about the need for new and extended peak period clearways
- impact on adjoining properties and access
- request for traffic volume data along the road corridor
- impact on businesses if on-street parking is removed from the state road.

A summary of the feedback and Roads and Maritimes' responses can be found in the section of this document titled: "Feedback summary and Roads and Maritime's response".

## The decision

Roads and Maritime would like to thank everyone who provided feedback. After considering the feedback received, Roads and Maritime will proceed with new and extended weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Davies Road, Padstow Heights and King Georges Road, Penshurst as shown in Table 1 and Table 2.

**Table 1 – New clearways on Henry Lawson Drive between Davies Road and Jacques Avenue**

	Existing Clearways	New Clearways (both directions)
<b>Weekdays</b>	No clearways	6am to 10am 3pm to 7pm

**Table 2 - Extended clearways on Forest Road between Jacques Avenue and King Georges Road and on Stoney Creek Road between Forest Road and King Georges Road**

	Existing Clearways	New Clearways (both directions)
<b>Weekdays</b>	6am to 10am (eastbound) 3pm to 7pm (westbound)	6am to 10am 3pm to 7pm

After considering the feedback received on the alternate business customer parking on Penshurst Street, Roads and Maritime has decided to revise the parking changes on Penshurst Street to the following:

- Convert three existing timed 1P parking spaces into 1/2P parking spaces (8:30AM-6:00PM Mon-Fri / 8:30AM-12:30PM Sat)
- Convert two unrestricted parking spaces into timed 1P parking spaces (8:30AM-6:00PM Mon-Fri / 8:30AM-12:30PM Sat)

These changes would allow customers to continue to access businesses on Stoney Creek Road.

Roads and Maritime will continue to work with Georges River Council to finalise the alternate business parking on Penshurst Street close to businesses on Stoney Creek Road. The new parking changes are shown in Figure 1.

The new weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive will replace the existing timed 'No Stopping' parking restrictions from 6am to 9am (eastbound) and 3pm to 7pm (westbound) between Belmore Road and Jacques Avenue.

Other existing parking restrictions such as 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' will continue to operate outside of the new and extended clearway hours. Bus zones will continue to operate without change.

Roads and Maritime will continue to keep the community updated as this project progresses.

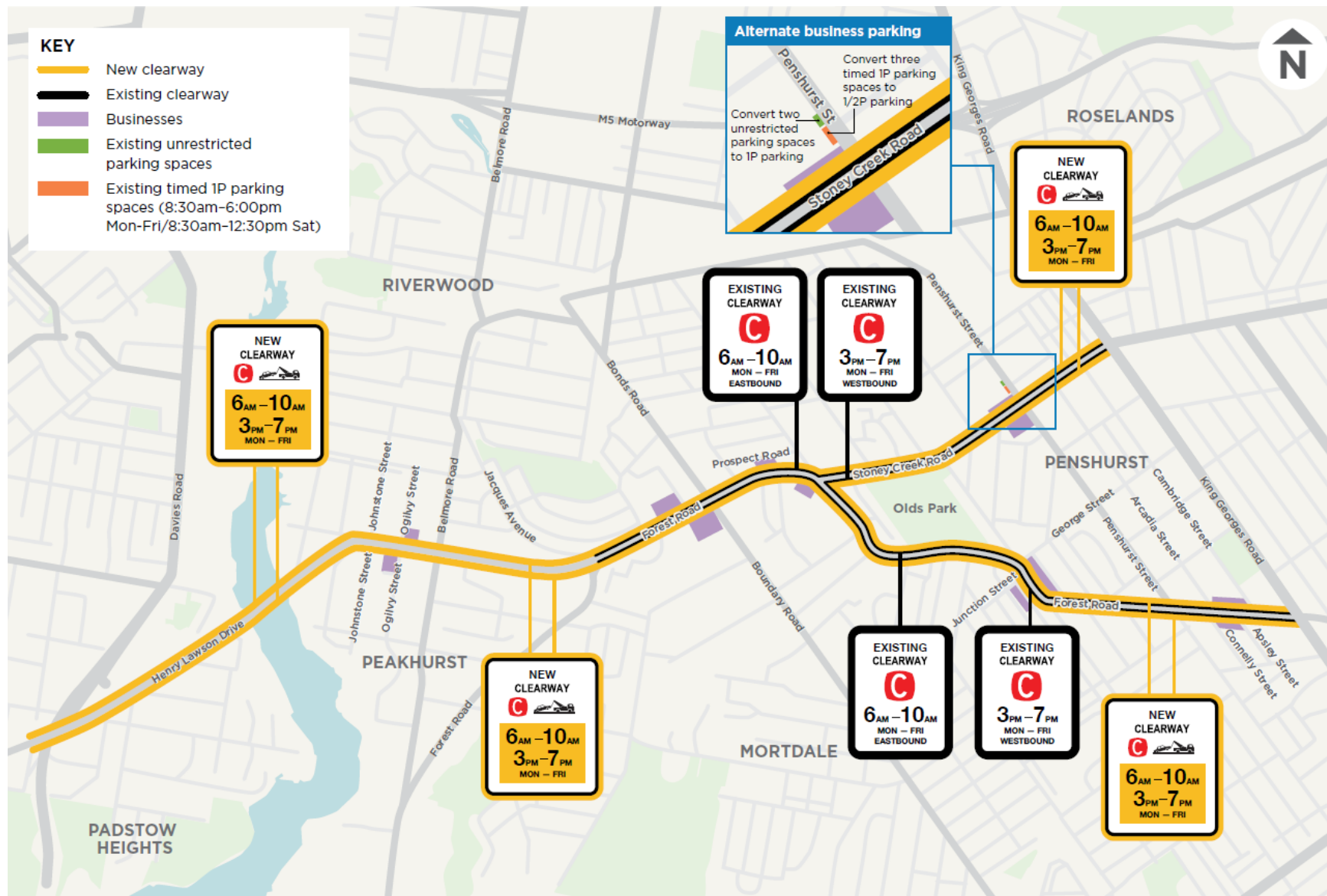


Figure 1 – New and Extended Clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road

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# Introduction

## Background

On 1 December 2013, the NSW Government released the Sydney Clearways Strategy as a key initiative to reduce congestion on Sydney's state roads. The strategy identifies over 1,000 kilometres of state roads on key corridors across Sydney, which may benefit from the introduction of new and extended clearways. The strategy aims to increase the performance of Sydney's state roads by introducing new or extended clearways on roads that are experiencing congestion and not operating at full capacity to efficiently transport people and goods across the Sydney metropolitan area.

The NSW Government's Long Term Transport Master Plan outlines a number of responses to traffic congestion in Sydney, aimed at improving travel on Sydney's roads in both the short and the long term. One of the primary means to achieve this is the use of clearways.

Traffic growth in Sydney has reached a point where there is a need to consider further improvements in the use of the existing road network to reduce travel times. The current clearways network has been in place for several decades, and has proven to be effective in improving travel times. The NSW Government is funding this project as part of its program to reduce congestion and delays on Sydney's roads.

The Sydney Clearways Strategy also sets out a process for engaging with local communities and councils and for ensuring alternate business customer parking is available to minimise impacts on local businesses.

The NSW Government has committed \$121 million to the Sydney Clearways Strategy which includes assisting local councils with alternate business customer parking solutions where feasible. So far, we have delivered over 450 kilometres of new and extended weekend and weekday clearways across the Sydney road network under the Sydney Clearways Strategy.

This road corridor consists of Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst. It connects south-west Sydney to the Sydney CBD and suburbs such as Penshurst, Hurstville, Beverly Hills, Lugarno and Oatley. It also provides access to important commuter and freight corridors such as King Georges Road and the M5 Motorway. These state roads are managed and maintained by Roads and Maritime.

The section of Henry Lawson Drive between Davies Road, Padstow Heights and Jacques Avenue, Peakhurst is 2.8 kilometres in each direction. It has no existing clearways but has existing 'No Parking' and timed 'No Stopping' parking restrictions along sections of the corridor.

The section of Forest Road between Jacques Avenue, Peakhurst and King Georges Road, Penshurst is 3.6 kilometres in each direction. It has existing peak period clearways in the eastbound travel direction from 6am to 10am, and in the westbound travel direction from 3pm to 7pm.

The section of Stoney Creek Road between Forest Road, Peakhurst and King Georges Road, Penshurst is 1.4 kilometres in each direction. Similar to Forest Road above, it also has existing weekday peak period clearways in the eastbound direction from 6am to 10am and in the westbound direction from 3pm to 7pm.

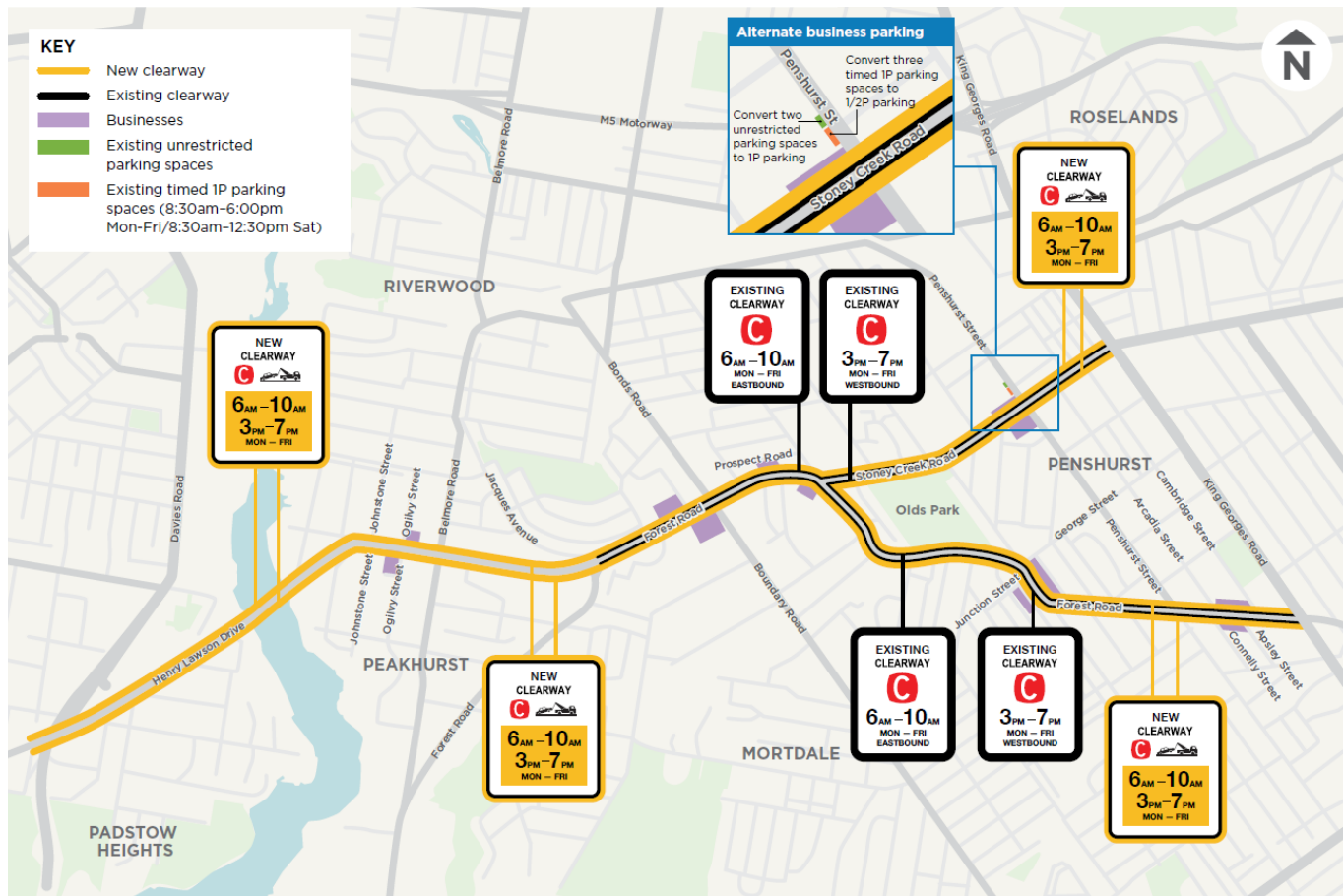
Traffic investigations undertaken in 2017 showed that between 26,000 to 40,000 vehicles travel these corridors along Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst each day. Introducing new and extended clearways would assist with improving travel time reliability along this corridor.

## The proposal

Roads and Maritime Services is introducing new and extended weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst.

The new weekday peak period clearway hours are from 6am to 10am and from 3pm to 7pm in both directions. Other parking restrictions such as 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' will continue to operate outside the new and extended clearway hours.

A map of the corridor and the new and extended clearway hours are shown below.



In 2017, Roads and Maritime investigated business customer parking along Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst to identify alternate business parking arrangements. The investigation identified that most businesses have onsite parking for customers and that sufficient parking was available in side streets close to businesses. This parking can be used by business customers during new and extended clearway times.

In July 2018 Roads and Maritime sought feedback on a proposal to introduce two 1/2 P timed parking spaces on Penshurst Street to offset two existing short stay business customer parking spaces from Stoney Creek Road during the new and extended clearway times. The location of the proposed alternate business customer parking is shown in the map above and is subject to approval by Georges River Council.



# Engagement approach

## Engagement objectives

Roads and Maritime engaged with the community to understand their concerns and needs, so that this feedback can be considered as part of the decision making process where possible.

This allows Roads and Maritime to:

- seek comment, feedback, ideas and suggestions for consideration when making a decision on a matter that has not yet been determined
- advise directly affected stakeholders of changes and/or proposals
- build a database of interested and concerned community members with whom to continue engagement with during the project's development and delivery
- advise the community on how they can obtain further information and communicate feedback.

## How engagement was done

Roads and Maritime adopted an 'inform' and 'consult' engagement approach for this project to:

- **'inform'** the community, businesses and other stakeholders on the new and extended weekday peak period clearways, as these have been determined based on traffic volumes and travel times; and
- **'consult'** on alternate business customer parking to understand if there is sufficient parking in nearby side streets, and if there are other potential locations or options we need to consider to meet business customer parking demand along the corridor.

Roads and Maritime commenced engagement with the community and stakeholders on Monday 30 July 2018 and feedback closed on Monday 13 August 2018 (see Table 3).

Table 3 - Community and stakeholder engagement timeline

Method	Event	Date
Stakeholder Meetings	Briefed the Member for Oatley, Mark Coure MP	10 July 2018
	Briefed the Member for East Hills, Glenn Brookes MP	23 July 2018
	Meeting with Georges River Council	25 July 2018 – Briefing to council staff
	Meeting with City of Canterbury Bankstown Council	19 July 2018 – Briefing to council staff
	Doorknocked businesses along Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst, and other identified stakeholders	30 July 2018

	Follow up meetings with community, stakeholders and businesses.	Throughout the engagement period
Project Update Distribution	Project Update (see Appendix A) distributed to 2,095 properties within the distribution area (see Appendix B).	30 July 2018
	Project Update emailed to MP's of Oatley and East Hills.	30 July 2018
	Project Update emailed to key stakeholders including Local Council, police, emergency services and utility companies.	30 July 2018
	Information about the kiosk was included in the Project Update.	30 July 2018
Website	Project webpage with information including the Project Update.	30 July 2018
Social media post	Facebook post (see Appendix C) to inform of the project, date of the information kiosk and link to the project page.	30 July 2018
	Local MP, Mark Coure promoted the information kiosk on his Facebook.	1 August 2018
Information kiosk	The Clearways project team was available at Mortdale Plaza to discuss the clearway and alternate business parking with the public.	2 August 2018
Close of feedback		13 August 2018

# Engagement summary

## Overview

On 30 July 2018, Roads and Maritime informed the community and key stakeholders, including business owners, about introducing new and extended weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst. We also sought feedback from businesses and the community on the proposed alternate business customer parking on Penshurst Street close to shops on Stoney Creek Road.

The community was informed through a Project Update distributed to 2,095 properties along the proposed clearways corridor and surrounding streets. As part of the engagement, 71 businesses and organisations were doorknocked.

We received multiple submissions and feedback from stakeholders, community members and residents, who either supported the new and extended clearways or raised a number of concerns.

Table 4 summarises the feedback received during the community engagement period on the new and extended weekday peak period clearways and the alternate business customer parking on Penshurst Street.

In summary, key matters raised included:

- support for the new and extended weekday peak period clearways
- questions about the need for new and extended peak period clearways
- impact on adjoining properties and access
- request for traffic volume data along the road corridor
- impact on businesses if on-street parking is removed from the state road

A geo-targeted social media post (see Appendix C) was published in local media and Facebook on 30 July 2018. This enabled us to engage the wider community and road users who travel along the road corridor to inform them of the changes, the information kiosk and encourage feedback. The post reached over 4,000 people and received 23 reactions, of which the majority were positive.

## Feedback and Roads and Maritime's responses

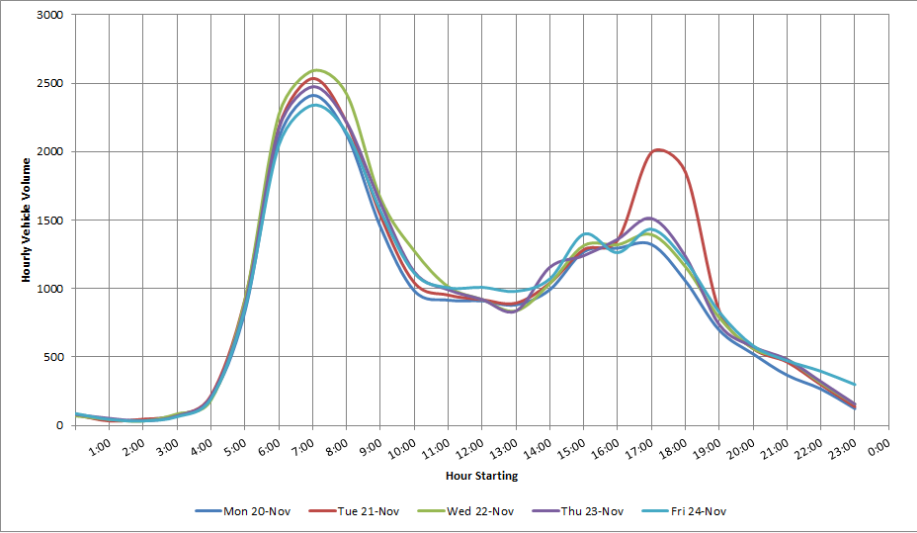
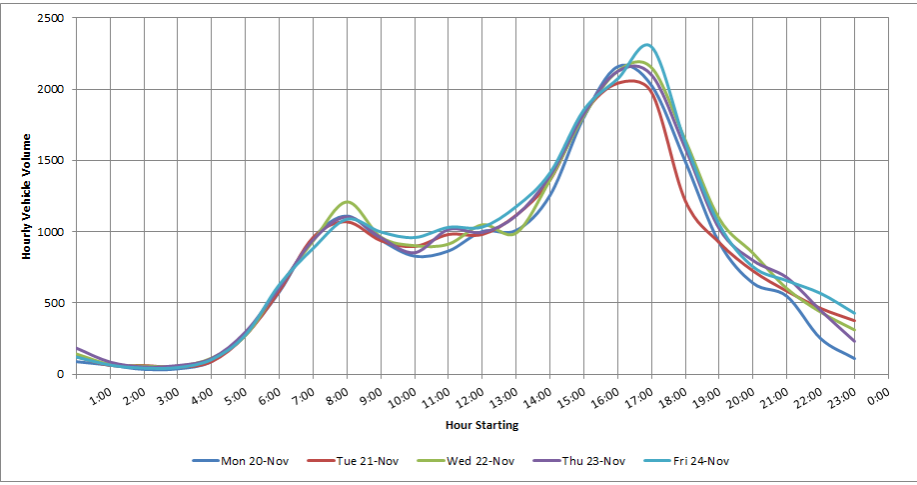
Roads and Maritime has summarised the feedback received and provided responses in Table 4 of this report. This report is available to the public and can be found on the Sydney Clearways Program website.

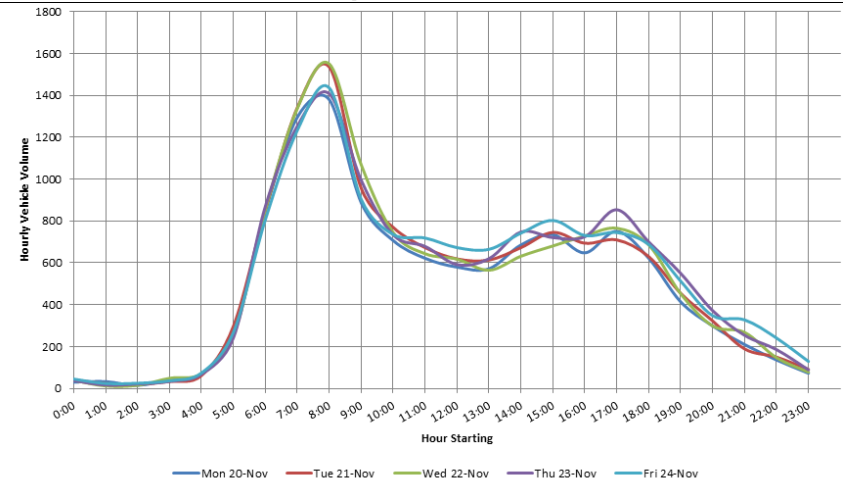
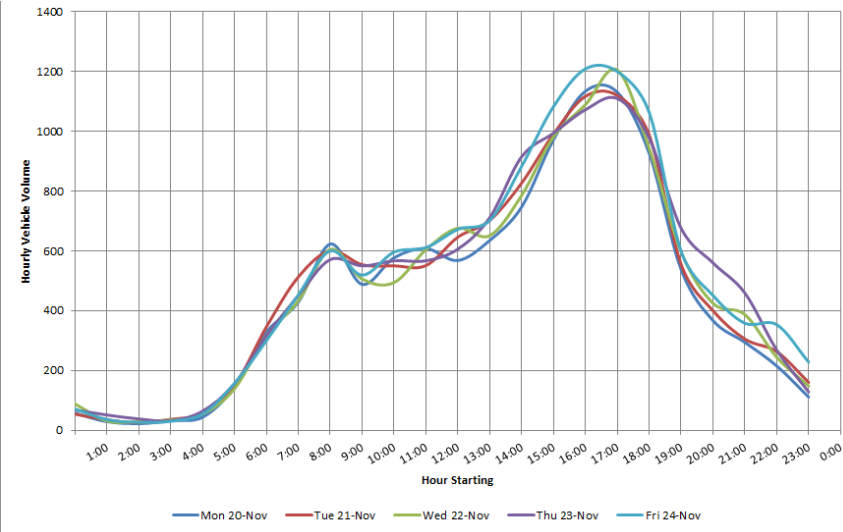
All feedback has been considered to help Roads and Maritime make decisions on the alternate business parking arrangements. Matters raised during engagement that are out of scope of this project have been forwarded to the relevant bodies/departments.

## Feedback summary and Roads and Maritime's response

Table 4 - Feedback received via email and direct stakeholder engagement

Category	Feedback	Roads and Maritimes' response
<b>1. Clearway justification</b>	A brilliant idea! Cars parked on Henry Lawson Drive are constantly blocking drivers.	<p>The Sydney Clearways Strategy published in December 2013 identified over 1,000 kilometres of state roads on key corridors across Sydney, which may benefit from the introduction of new and extended clearways to improve the movement of goods and people. These routes were identified, based on an assessment of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>directional traffic flows exceed 800 vehicles per hour per lane</li> <li>travel speeds are 30km/h or below during peak periods.</li> </ul> <p>Investigations undertaken in 2017 indicate that around 26,000 vehicles travel on these roads each day. The graphs (Figure 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) show traffic volume data in both directions of Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst. The traffic volumes show that there are distinct weekday morning and afternoon peak travel periods along these corridors. New and extended weekday peak clearways will assist to reduce congestion and improve journey travel times during these critical peak travel periods.</p>
	Clearways will make no difference to traffic or save time.	
	What is the basis for the decision of installing clearways? They are not necessary.	
	There is no build-up of traffic or delays during the week.	
	There are no traffic in the afternoon on Henry Lawson Drive and Stoney Creek Road.	
	Can we please be provided with information on traffic volumes along these corridors.	

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		<div><p>Figure 2 - Weekday eastbound traffic volume on Henry Lawson Drive between Davies Road and Jacques Avenue</p></div> <div><p>Figure 3 - Weekday westbound traffic volume on Henry Lawson Drive between Jacques Avenue and Davies Road</p></div>

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		<div><p>Figure 4 - Weekday eastbound traffic volume on Forest Road between Jacques Avenue and King Georges Road</p></div> <div><p>Figure 5 - Weekday westbound traffic volume on Forest Road between Stoney Creek Road and King Georges Road</p></div>



Category	Feedback	Roads and Maritimes' response
		<div></div> <p>Figure 6 - Weekday eastbound traffic volume on Stoney Creek Road between Forest Road and King Georges Road</p> <div></div> <p>Figure 7 - Weekday westbound traffic volume on Stoney Creek Road between King Georges Road and Forest Road</p>

Category	Feedback	Roads and Maritimes' response
<b>2. Clearway hours</b>	There are already clearways in place and they work. No changes are needed.	<p>Investigations found that around 26,000 road users travel on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst each day. The traffic volumes during morning and afternoon peak periods on weekdays demonstrate that new and extended peak period clearways in both directions are required. The graphs (Figure 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) show traffic volume data in both directions of Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst.</p> <p>During peak periods, clearways will be effective in optimising the performance of this road corridor by making all lanes available to traffic and improving the efficiency of vehicle movement along the corridor.</p> <p>Investigations showed that clearways are not needed during the weekday inter-peak period (10am to 3pm) or on weekends at this time. However, should traffic conditions substantially change in the future, Roads and Maritime will reassess traffic conditions of the corridor and carry out further investigations.</p>
	The afternoon clearway in the eastbound direction will not make any difference to the traffic along Henry Lawson Drive.	
	On Henry Lawson Drive, AM peak clearways are needed in the eastbound direction, but an eastbound PM clearway is unnecessary.	
	Extending the clearways from 6am to 10am in both directions on Forest Road will create inconvenience for residents and businesses.	
	Extended clearways on Stoney Creek Road between Mercury Street and Penshurst Street will provide no improvement to traffic conditions.	
<b>3. Property access, amenity and parking</b>	We often park on Stoney Creek Road because access to our driveway is difficult.	<p>Roads and Maritime understands that the new and extended weekday peak period clearway hours will change parking in front of properties, which may cause some inconvenience for residents and visitors. However, the primary purpose of a state road (such as Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road) is to move people and goods efficiently across Sydney. Any parking currently permitted on a state road is not specifically allocated to residents or properties.</p> <p>Parking on a state road limits the primary function of the road. Roads and Maritime changes parking restrictions across the State Road Network to ensure that the roads are meeting their primary purpose.</p> <p>Existing 'No Parking' and 'No Stopping' restrictions will continue to operate outside clearway hours. In the sections without parking restrictions, vehicles can still park outside</p>
	There is already an issue with visitors parking on Stoney Creek Road.	
	The carpark at Olds Park is already full. Parking is needed close by so people don't need to cross busy streets.	
	There won't be enough parking on the side streets during the new and extended clearway times.	

Category	Feedback	Roads and Maritimes' response
	Where do I park during new and extended clearway times? I don't have enough onsite parking for my cars.	<p>the clearway hours, including during the weekday inter-peak period and on weekends.</p> <p>If visitors, delivery drivers or tradespeople need to access properties during weekday peak clearway times, parking will need to be made available within existing driveways, garages or carports. This is similar to many other state roads where clearways and 'No Stopping' restrictions are in place.</p> <p>Alternatively parking is available in nearby local side streets, or arrangements can be made outside of clearway times when parking is permitted on the state road.</p>
	Can the current 'No Parking' restrictions be removed from Henry Lawson Drive?	
<b>4. Business parking</b>	Extended weekday AM and PM clearways will be a disaster for my business. My customers will have nowhere to park.	<p>Roads and Maritime completed traffic and parking studies along Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Davies Road, Padstow Heights and King Georges Road, Penshurst in November 2017.</p> <p>Our investigations identified that majority of the businesses along this corridor have access to on-site parking and are not solely reliant on the state road for parking. The investigations also identified that there is sufficient capacity in local side streets near businesses to accommodate business parking demand.</p> <p>Parking currently permitted on the state road is not specifically allocated to businesses, their customers or staff. However, we acknowledge that to date this has been used by some businesses, their customers and staff, and that the new and extended weekday peak period clearways will cause some inconvenience.</p> <p>After listening to customer feedback Roads and Maritime will be proposing to convert three additional 1P parking spaces in Penshurst Street into 1/2P parking spaces and converting two unrestricted parking spaces into 1P parking spaces. These changes would allow customers to continue to easily access businesses on Stoney Creek Road (subject to Council approval).</p> <p>We will continue to work with Georges River Council on the alternate business parking arrangements and will keep the community updated as the project progresses.</p>
	We relocated our business to Stoney Creek Road because there was parking and easy access for customers and couriers.	
	I need parking close by for my business customers. They need to drop off large equipment for service and repairs. Customers often arrive during the proposed new clearway hours to make drop off and pickups, and need suitable access.	
	I operate a home business. The new and extended clearways will reduce parking options for my home business customers.	

Category	Feedback	Roads and Maritimes' response
	I already don't have enough parking for my business needs. Roads and Maritime need to purchase properties and build carparks to provide parking for my customers.	<p>Businesses that have provisions for deliveries to be made off-street are encouraged to direct customers to these areas during weekday peak period clearway times. Alternatively deliveries can be managed outside of clearway times or on weekends.</p> <p>Home businesses are typically approved to operate in residential areas as they have low business parking demands. It is recommended that home business owners explore options for their visitors or customers to park in driveways, garages or carports during weekday peak period clearway hours. Alternatively home business customers can be directed to local side streets for parking.</p>
<b>5. Safety</b>	Reversing out of our driveway is very dangerous. The clearways will make this worse.	The removal of parked cars on the kerbside lane during the clearway hours would improve sight lines for vehicles exiting driveways and vehicles travelling along the kerbside lane. This will reduce the risk of crashes.
	For customers attending my home business, access into and out of my driveway is already difficult and unsafe.	In addition, vehicles will be able to use all lanes which should improve the efficiency through existing intersections, allowing more vehicles to cross during each traffic signal cycle. This often results in 'platooning' where groups of vehicles travel closer together in bunches or platoons (i.e. groups of vehicles) at similar speeds with larger gaps between each platoon.
	Clearways will encourage speeding.	Larger gaps between platoons of vehicles allow more time to safely exit driveways or side streets, when compared with a steady stream of individual vehicles as observed when intersections and roads are not operating efficiently.
	Drivers are impatient and behave badly, tailgating and sounding horns. I am already forced to enter my driveway at dangerous speed.	The design and approval of driveways is a matter for local councils. Typically councils have a set design standard for driveways that takes into consideration the required space for vehicle access. If there are issues with the design of a driveway then this can be raised directly with council.
	Safety is already an issue. With new and extended clearways drivers will not slow down to allow us to safely enter our property.	The NSW Police is responsible for monitoring the road network to ensure road users comply with all road rules and regulations. We encourage members of the public to report speeding, dangerous driving or unsafe behaviour on the road network to the police.

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	Speed limits on Forest Road near Penshurst West Public School and Penshurst Library need to be reduced.	<p>On Forest Road between Penshurst Street and St Georges Road, there are 40km/h school zones and fixed speed cameras in the vicinity of Saint Declan Catholic Primary School and Georges River College Penshurst Girls Campus.</p> <p>An initiative of the NSW Speed Camera Strategy allows anyone to nominate locations for speed camera enforcement by visiting <a href="http://saferroadsnsw.com.au">saferroadsnsw.com.au</a>. The information you provide, together with crash data and other road safety information will help to prioritise future locations for speed cameras in NSW.</p>
<b>6. Financial impact</b>	The removal of parking will devalue my business. Compensation is requested as a result.	<p>The introduction of the new and extended weekday peak period clearways does not change the land use, land size or land development capacity of properties.</p> <p>Roads and Maritime understands that the new and extended weekday peak period clearways will change parking conditions in front of properties. However any parking currently permitted on a state road is not specifically allocated to residents or businesses.</p> <p>Parking on state roads limits the primary function of the road. Roads and Maritime changes parking restrictions across the State Road Network to ensure that the roads are meeting their primary purpose.</p> <p>Our traffic investigations also identified sufficient parking on side streets near businesses during weekday peak periods. Parking is still allowed outside the new and extended peak period clearway hours (during weekday inter-peak period and on weekends). However, existing 'No Parking' and 'No Stopping' parking restrictions will continue to operate outside clearway hours.</p>
	The removal of parking will devalue my property.	

## Out of Scope

There were a number of responses relating to local side streets that were considered out of scope for this clearway project.

Category	Feedback	Roads and Maritimes' response
<b>1. Identified issues and improvements on local side streets</b>	Parking availability is an issue at the corner of St Georges Road to Nelson Street.	<p>Roads and Maritime manage state roads, and local councils (such as the Georges River Council) manage regional and local roads such as Penshurst Street, St Georges Road, Nelson Street, Victoria Avenue and Austral Street.</p> <p>Any feedback and traffic suggestions relating to any local streets or carparks will be forwarded to Georges River Council for their investigation and consideration. We recommend that any traffic matters on local roads be raised with Council to ensure the appropriate government agency can review and consider them accordingly.</p>
	Traffic accident near misses are already common in local streets.	
	Remove the post box on Penshurst Street and convert the parking into a 1P parking space.	
	Remove timed 'No Parking' restrictions on Penshurst Street near Ryan Avenue.	
<b>2. Availability of parking in private carparks</b>	On-site parking at the community centre carpark is an issue due to the configuration and spacing.	<p>The management and allocation of parking in private carparks is at the discretion of the property owner and should be in accordance with Australian Standards. Roads and Maritime encourages businesses and/or the land owner to explore options on how to best manage private business parking to ensure it is available for those attending the business or premise.</p>
	Impact on availability of on-site parking in private carparks for people with mobility issues that are frail and/or have children.	
	The elderly can only access the community centre by parking on Forest Road in the morning.	
<b>3. Compliance and Safety</b>	Congestion adding to safety risk and added stress.	<p>Roads and Maritime do not encourage school or day care drop off and pick up on state roads, especially during peak traffic periods.</p> <p>Roads and Maritime encourages parents to utilise dedicated drop off and pick up areas either on school grounds or in local side streets to drop off and pick up children from schools or day care.</p>
	New and extended clearways will remove parking, and parents with children will be forced to walk further to access childcare facilities in St Georges Road. This poses an increased safety risk.	



## Decision

Roads and Maritime thank everyone who considered the proposed alternate business parking and provided comments during the feedback period.

After considering the feedback received, Roads and Maritime will proceed with new and extended weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst as shown in the tables below.

This will reduce congestion and improve travel time reliability for 26,000 to 40,000 road users travelling on these corridors every day, which means less time in traffic and more time doing the things you enjoy.

### New clearways on Henry Lawson Drive between Davies Road and Jacques Avenue

	Existing Clearways	New Clearways (both directions)
Weekdays	No clearways	6am to 10am 3pm to 7pm

### Extended clearways on Forest Road between Jacques Avenue and King Georges Road and on Stoney Creek Road between Forest Road and King Georges Road

	Existing Clearways	New Clearways (both directions)
Weekdays	6am to 10am (eastbound) 3pm to 7pm (westbound)	6am to 10am 3pm to 7pm

Roads and Maritime considered the feedback received on the alternate business customer parking on Penshurst Street and will revise the parking proposal on Penshurst Street to the following:

- Convert three existing timed 1P parking spaces into 1/2P parking spaces (8:30AM-6:00PM Mon-Fri / 8:30AM-12:30PM Sat)
- Convert two unrestricted parking spaces into timed 1P parking spaces (8:30AM-6:00PM Mon-Fri / 8:30AM-12:30PM Sat)

Roads and Maritime will continue to work with Georges River Council to finalise the alternate business parking on Penshurst Street close to businesses on Stoney Creek Road. The new parking changes are shown in Figure 1 (on page 5), and are subject to Council approval.

The new weekday peak period clearways on Henry Lawson Drive will replace the existing timed 'No Stopping' parking restrictions from 6am to 9am (eastbound) and 3pm to 7pm (westbound) between Belmore Road and Jacques Avenue.

Other existing parking restrictions such as 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' will continue to operate outside of the new and extended clearway hours. Bus zones will continue to operate without change.

Roads and Maritime will continue to keep the community updated as this project progresses.

# Appendices

## Appendix A – Project Update July 2018



### New and extended weekday clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road

Between Davies Road, Padstow Heights and King Georges Road, Penshurst

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The NSW Government is funding this project as part of its \$121 million Clearways Program, which aims to reduce congestion and delays on Sydney's roads.

Roads and Maritime Services is working to reduce congestion and improve travel times on this busy road corridor between Padstow Heights and Penshurst. We will be introducing new and extended weekday peak clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road between Padstow Heights and Penshurst.

The new and extended clearways will improve journey times for up to 26,000 road users travelling on this busy corridor every day, which means less time in traffic and more time doing the things you enjoy.

The clearway hours are shown below and on the map (overleaf).

#### New clearways on Henry Lawson Drive between Davies Road and Jacques Avenue

	Existing clearways	New clearways (both directions)
Weekdays	No clearways	6am to 10am 3pm to 7pm

#### Extended clearways on Forest Road between Jacques Avenue and King Georges Road and on Stoney Creek Road between Forest Road and King Georges Road

	Existing clearways	New clearways (both directions)
Weekdays	6am to 10am (eastbound) 3pm to 7pm (westbound)	6am-10am 3pm-7pm



Easing congestion



Save travel time

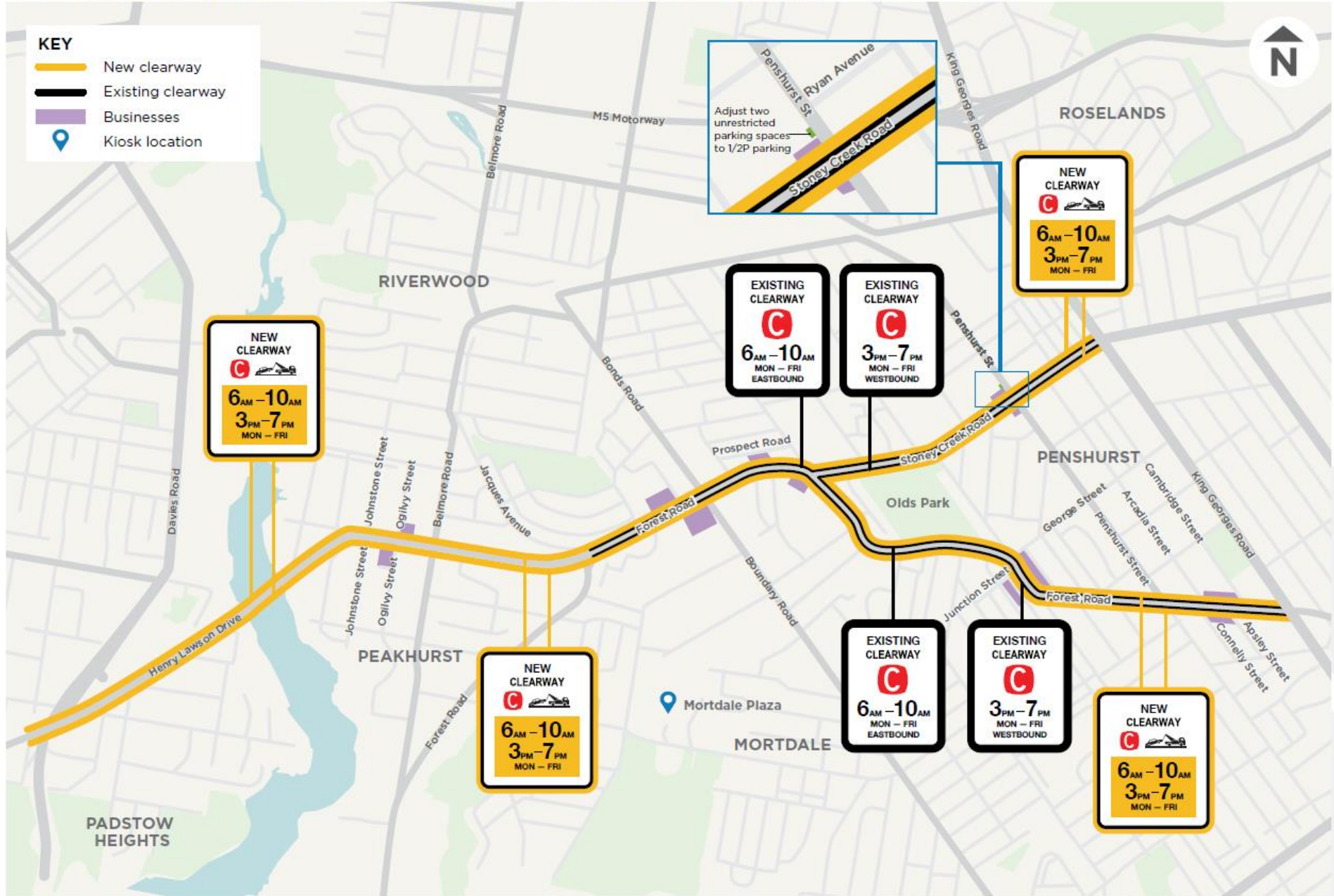
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Other existing parking restrictions such as 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' will continue to operate outside of the new and extended clearway hours. Bus zones and school zones will continue to operate without change.

#### Talk to the clearways project team

On **Thursday 2 August**, the project team will be available to discuss the project at **Mortdale Plaza** from **4pm to 7pm**. The information kiosk will be located opposite Woolworths in Mortdale Plaza located at 84 Roberts Avenue, Mortdale. We invite you to come and speak to us about the new and extended clearways and alternate business parking.

# New and Extended Weekday Clearways on Henry Lawson Drive, Forest Road and Stoney Creek Road





## Alternate business parking arrangements

Roads and Maritime investigated business customer parking along this corridor and has identified sufficient parking available in side streets to offset the parking spaces that will be removed by the new and extended clearways.

We are proposing to introduce two 1/2P timed parking spaces on Penshurst Street to offset the existing short stay business parking removed from Stoney Creek Road when the new clearways are installed. Location of the new timed parking is shown on the map (overleaf).

We invite your feedback on the proposed alternate business parking arrangement by **Monday 13 August 2018**.

Please send your comments to [clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au](mailto:clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au) or call **1300 706 232**.

## What is a clearway?



A clearway is a section of road where stopping and parking is not allowed during the times shown on the clearway sign. Clearways are put on key arterial roads where traffic is often heavy and congested. They help keep vehicles moving by making all lanes available to motorists. The only exception is the stopping of buses and taxis dropping off or picking up passengers as well as emergency vehicles.

The new clearways will help to improve traffic flow and reduce delays by allowing us to tow vehicles that stop illegally or break down.

If you park in a clearway during the clearway hours, you risk being fined and your vehicle can be towed.

To report a vehicle parked in a clearway or if your vehicle has been towed from a clearway, please call the Transport Management Centre on **131 700**.



If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on **131 450** and ask them to call us on **1300 706 232**.

## Key benefits

Clearways:

- reduce congestion by making an additional lane available to traffic
- improve journey times, allowing drivers to get to their destination sooner and more reliably
- improve safety by removing parked vehicles from the kerbside lane
- have an immediate positive impact on traffic flow as it uses existing road space for the movement of vehicles
- improve the efficiency of intersections along the corridor, as all lanes are used.

## Background

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

Installing new and extended clearways on weekdays and weekends can help reduce congestion in many areas of Sydney by allowing motorists to use all traffic lanes.

Since 2013, we have installed over 450 kilometres of new and extended clearways across some of Sydney's busiest road corridors. We are continuing to investigate where new and extended clearways would help ease congestion and provide more reliable travel times for road users across the network. For further information please visit our website: [www.rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways](http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways).

## Contact us

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact our project team:



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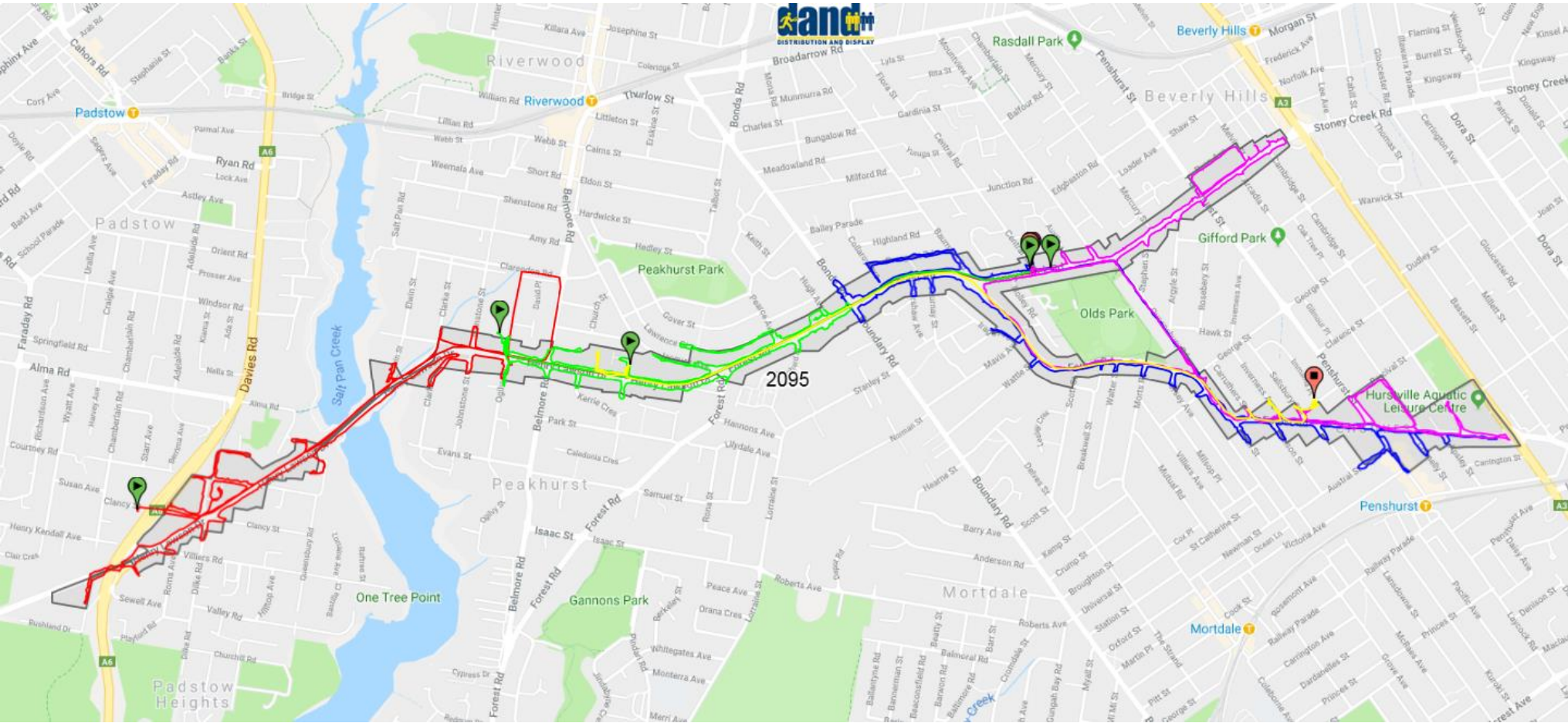
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Appendix B – Distribution Area



Appendix C – Social Media Post




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Just a reminder that you can provide feedback in person to the RMS Team on the new clearways between Padstow Heights and Penshurst. The team will be available to discuss the project outside [Mortdale Plaza - Woolworths](#) tomorrow between 4pm and 7pm.

They look forward to seeing you there!



**Mark Coure MP** is at [Mortdale Plaza - Woolworths](#).

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