

'Pinch point' busting in the Sutherland Shire area

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An additional right turn lane at the intersection of Kingsway and Gannons Road, Caringbah

Roads and Maritime Services recently completed a number of key intersection improvements in the Sutherland Shire area, giving you more time for the important things and less time on the road.

Funded under the NSW Government's congestion busting programs, these projects improve traffic flow and travel times on Sydney's key road corridors.

With approximately 20,000 motorists using the Kingsway each day, this corridor is crucial to keeping people moving around Greater Sydney. However, it had a number of 'pinch points' where we have worked hard to provide daily travel time savings for road users.



Extended right turn bay at Kingsway and Woolooware Road, Woolooware

Completed Work

Intersection of Kingsway and President Avenue, Caringbah

Roads and Maritime Services recently completed intersection improvements at Kingsway and President Avenue, Caringbah.

The upgrade will improve traffic flow at the intersection and reduce travel times for motorists, particularly during peak periods.

By improving the design of the intersection, we were able to make better use of the available road space and create a new right turn lane from Kingsway into President Avenue.

This has doubled the number of vehicles able to turn right on to President Avenue from Kingsway.

The completed work includes:

- Duplication of the right turn lane from Kingsway into President Avenue
- Modification of traffic island at the intersection of President Avenue and Kingsway
- Removal of a loading zone and relocation of a mail zone
- Removal of 14 restricted car spaces on the eastbound lane on Kingsway
- New CCTV camera installed on the corner of President Avenue and Port Hacking Road.

Offset parking

As part of this work we reviewed parking options for business customers and local residents. In response to your feedback we worked with Sutherland Shire Council to provide an additional 15 spaces in the Council carpark at the rear of the Caringbah shops.

We are also happy to let you know that we have recently agreed to part-fund 10 additional spaces in this Council carpark. Taking the total number of offset spaces we have provided as part of this work to 25. The 10 additional parking spaces will be will be installed by 30 April 2019.

In addition to this, parking remains available for business customers in the surrounding streets, including Denman Avenue, Hay Avenue and Banksia Road.

Removing some parking on Kingsway helped alleviate congestion and improve traffic flow, particularly during peak periods, to get vehicles moving freely on this key southern road corridor.

Key benefits of these completed projects

- · Helping to keep traffic flowing on Kingsway
- · Reducing travel times and providing a more reliable journey for road users
- Reducing congestion and improving traffic flow at the intersections by allowing more vehicles to queue in the upgraded turning bays.

Intersection of Kingsway and Woolooware Road, Woolooware

This is a key intersection in the Sutherland Shire area that experiences high volumes of traffic, especially in the morning and afternoon peak periods.

Increased traffic numbers were causing the right turn bay from Kingsway into Woolooware Road to overflow and block traffic from moving freely in the neighbouring lanes, creating congestion and delays at the intersection.

By extending this right turn bay by about 60 metres, more vehicles can now turn right into Woolooware Road, helping reduce travel time on Kingsway towards Cronulla.

Roads and Maritime started work on improving the intersection in May 2018. Thanks to good planning and support from the community and motorists, we were able to complete the project in June 2018, 10 weeks ahead of schedule.

The completed work includes:

- Extending the existing right turn lane on Kingsway into Woolooware Road by about 60 metres
- · Replacing the road surface
- · Rebuilding the existing median.

Intersection of Kingsway and Gannons Road, Caringbah

This busy intersection is another key connection along Kingsway, providing an important link to Captain Cook Drive for motorists travelling towards Taren Point.

Heavy traffic during the peak periods caused traffic in the right turn bay from Kingsway into Gannons Road to overflow into the neighbouring lanes, congesting the intersection and creating delays.

By making better use of the available road space on both Kingsway and Gannons Road, we were able to change the intersection and add a new right turn lane to improve the flow of traffic towards Caringbah.

This has doubled the number of motorists able to use the turning bay, allowing more vehicles to turn right into Gannons Road.

The completed work includes:

- A new right turn lane from Kingsway into Gannons Road
- Improved intersection design to make better use of the available road space
- New road surface
- New linemarking and signs.



What is a 'pinch point'?

A pinch point is a traffic congestion point, either at an intersection or on a short length of road, where a traffic bottleneck exists. They cause traffic build-up and travel delays at these spots and on the wider road network.







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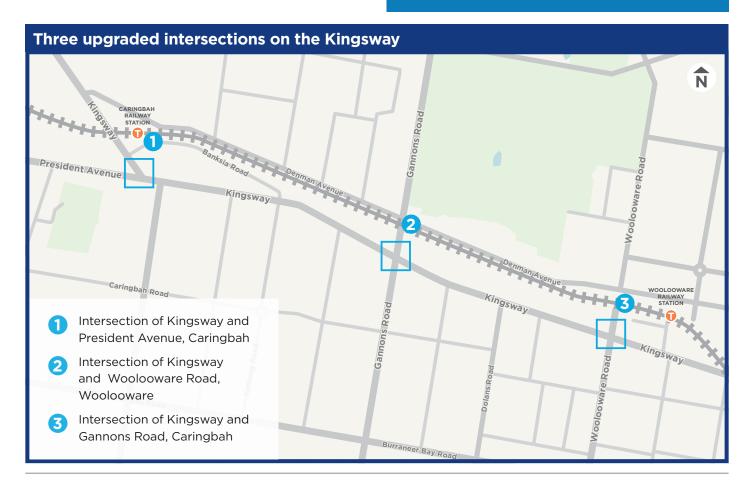


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