

New weekday clearways and parking changes on Lyons Road

Between Great North Road, Five Dock and Victoria Road, Drummoyne

Project Update - November 2017

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 introducing new weekday clearways on Lyons Road between Great North Road, Five Dock and Victoria Road, Drummoyne. The new weekday clearways hours are shown below and are included on the map (overleaf).

 6:00am to 10:00am and 3:00pm to 7:00pm on weekdays only.

The clearways will replace the existing 'No Parking' restrictions that operate from 6:30am to 9:30am and 3:30pm to 6:30pm weekdays.

The new clearways will help traffic flow by restricting parking during the clearway hours and allowing vehicles to be towed if they stop illegally or breakdown.

They will provide you and your family and friends with more efficient, and reliable journey times. This means that when you are planning your day, getting to and from work, dropping the kids off, or getting to appointments, your journey will be more reliable. This means less time in the car, and more time doing the things that matter.

New 'No Stopping' Restrictions

While considering the clearways proposal, Roads and Maritime completed a comprehensive review of parking along Lyons Road and identified that parking at certain locations was also causing congestion.

To address this congestion we are considering 'No Stopping' restrictions at certain locations (see map overleaf). This will allow vehicles to travel in the kerbside lane and safely pass vehicles waiting on Lyons Road to turn right into side streets.

The new 'No Stopping' restrictions are proposed to operate around specific intersections between Thompson Street and Lithgow Street (with the locations shown on the map overleaf) from:

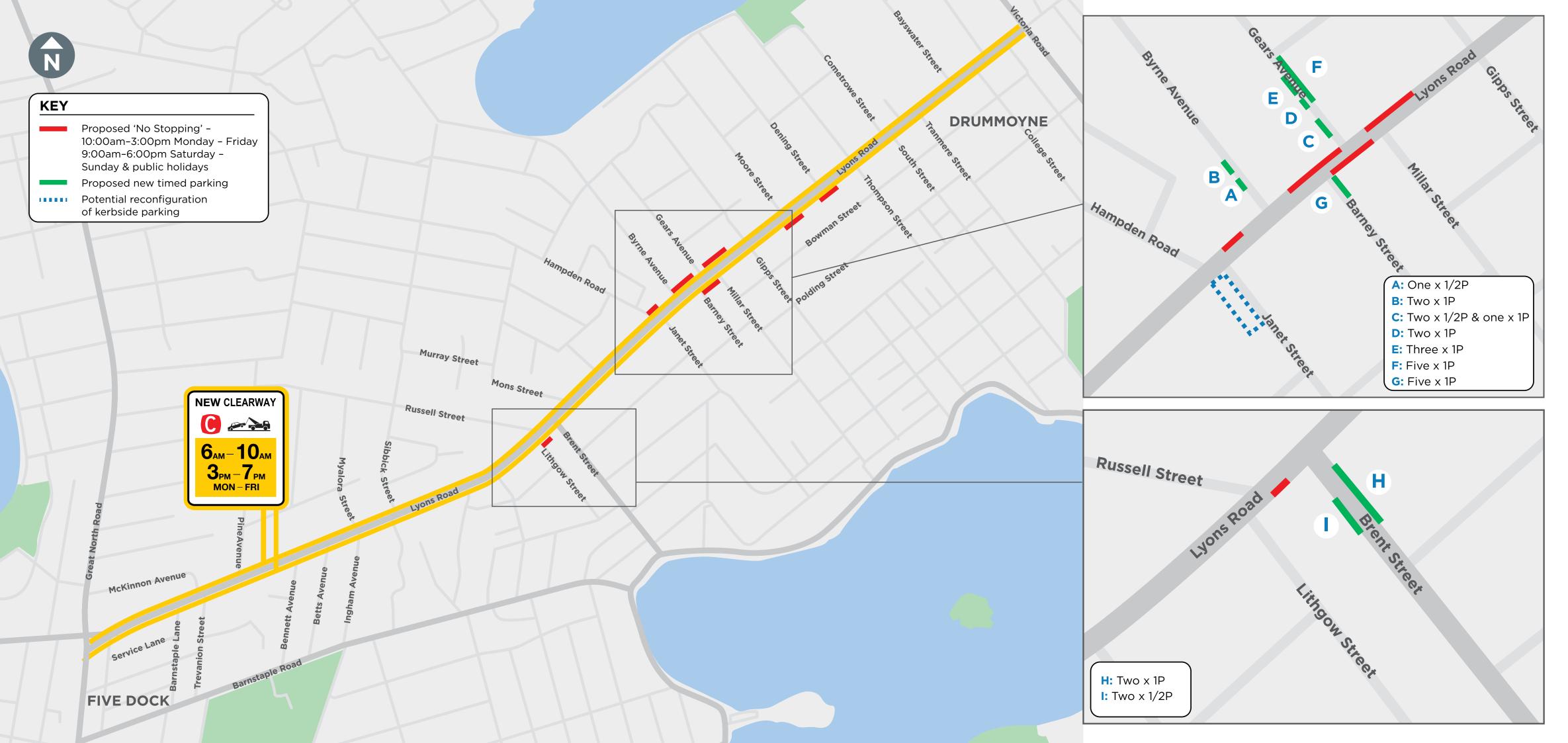
- 10:00am to 3:00pm weekdays*
- 9:00am to 6:00pm weekends and public holidays.

* The 'No Stopping' applies between the new weekday clearway hours of 6:00am to 10:00am and 3:00pm to 7:00pm.

It is expected that these changes will allow traffic to flow more freely on Lyons Road and help reduce motorists 'rat running' through local streets to avoid congestion and delays.



Traffic on Lyons Road



In summary, the following parking restrictions apply:

	Current parking restrictions (both directions)	New parking restrictions (both directions)
Weekdays	6:30am to 9:30am – 'No Stopping' 3:30pm to 6:30pm – 'No Stopping'	6:00am to 10:00am – Clearway 10:00am to 3:00pm – No Stopping** 3:00pm to 7:00pm – Clearway
Weekends & Public Holidays	Unrestricted parking	9:00am to 6:00pm - No Stopping**

^{**} at selected locations found on the map (overleaf)

Alternate customer business parking

Roads and Maritime have also considered changes to parking in the side streets, just off Lyons Road, that would offset the parking removed by the introduction of 'No Stopping' restrictions on Lyons Road.

These proposed alternate business customer parking areas would have timed parking restrictions from 6am to 7pm on weekdays and 9am to 6pm on weekends and public holidays. The locations and details of the alternate business parking are listed below (subject to Council approval).

- Byrne Avenue, north of Lyons Road
 - one x 1/2P and two x 1P parking spaces
- · Gears Avenue, north of Lyons Road
 - two $x \frac{1}{2P}$ and $11 \times 1P$ parking spaces
- · Barney Street, south of Lyons Road
 - five x 1P parking spaces
- · Brent Street, south of Lyons Road
 - two $x \frac{1}{2P}$ and two $x \frac{1P}{2P}$ parking spaces.

We are also discussing with City of Canada Bay Council some additional parking on Janet Street (south of Lyons Road) that would formalise and extend the existing angle parking to provide additional spaces for business customers.

The map shows the new weekday clearways and the proposed 'No Stopping' restrictions along Lyons Road as well as the proposed parking changes on local streets.

We invite your feedback on the alternate business parking options.

Please send your comments to clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 706 232 by Friday 8 December.

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.

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

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
- has an immediate positive impact on traffic flow as it uses existing road space for the movement of vehicles.

What is a 'No Stopping' area?

A 'No Stopping' area is a section of road where you are not allowed to park or stop your vehicle unless there is a medical or other emergency.

Sometimes a 'No Stopping' area is indicated by a solid yellow edge line.

The hours of operation of a 'No Stopping' area vary from street to street. Make sure you check the signs for specific hours of operation. Fines apply for vehicles stopping illegally.



As a resident, what does this mean to me?

The new weekday clearways and the proposed 'No Stopping' areas will change parking conditions in front of residential and business properties along Lyons Road. We understand this may cause some inconvenience to you.

If you currently live on this section of Lyons Road, you will need to reconsider where you park during the new clearways and in the proposed 'No Stopping' zones. If you do not have a driveway, garage or carport on your property, local streets are available for you to park subject to any council restrictions. Parking will remain unchanged outside of the new clearways and the proposed 'No Stopping' restrictions.

As clearways continue to be rolled out across Sydney, you, your family and friends will experience more efficient, safer, and more reliable journey times. This means less time in the car, and more time doing the things you enjoy.

I shop and visit places on Lyons Road, what should I do?

If you currently shop, visit places or work along this section of Lyons Road, we understand it is important to be able to park nearby.

Roads and Maritime is discussing with City of Canada Bay Council the provision of alternate business parking on local streets during the 'No Stopping' hours. We are looking at adding additional timed on-street parking on a number of local streets and reconfiguring some of the existing timed street parking to offset the business parking spaces removed by the proposed 'No Stopping' areas.

The proposed alternate parking is shown on the map. The map shows both the 'No Stopping' locations and the proposed alternate parking arrangements.

What's next?

We invite your feedback on the proposed changes to introduce 'No Stopping' restrictions and provide short stay parking spaces for business and shop visitors near Lyons Road, by Friday 8 December. Please send your comments to clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au or 1300 706 232. We will consider your feedback on the proposed parking changes and continue to update you as the project progresses.

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 230 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 establish more reliable travel times for motorists across the network.

Clearways on Lyons Road were nominated for investigation by members of the community. Members of the community are able to nominate a state road to investigate whether a clearway would help ease congestion and improve traffic flow on that road. Investigations found that traffic volumes during weekday peaks warranted the introduction of clearways to replace the existing 'No Parking' zones.

For further information on the Sydney Clearways Strategy and how you can nominate a state road, please visit our website:

www.rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways

Contact us

To find out more or provide feedback:



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