

# Community update for Old South Head Road traffic improvements

Between Syd Einfeld Drive and Curlewis Street  
Roads and Maritime Services – December 2018



Congestion on Old South Head Road

The NSW Government is delivering easier, faster and safer travel on Sydney's roads.

In June, Roads and Maritime Services asked the community for feedback on proposed traffic improvements on Old South Head Road, to reduce traffic congestion and westbound delays.

This included a proposal to:

- Extend the existing weekday clearways and introduce new weekend clearways between Syd Einfeld Drive, Bondi Junction and Curlewis Street, Bondi
- Install alternative timed business parking in nearby Flood Street and Flood Lane
- Convert the existing westbound 'left turn only' lane into Flood Street into a 'through and left lane' for all vehicles.

## Project update

More than 70 community members including motorists, bus commuters, businesses and residents provided feedback on the clearway proposal, parking changes, Flood Street traffic lights, as well as other traffic and congestion issues in the local area.

We have listened to the local community and will carry out further investigations, particularly into the business parking on Old South Head Road and adjoining side streets.

We will not proceed with the installation of the proposed clearways and traffic improvements, while these investigations are under way.

We will continue to engage with key stakeholders during this investigation process, which is likely to take a number of months.

## What happens next?

We will continue to update the community as the proposal progresses.

If you provided feedback during the engagement period, you have been included on the stakeholder list, so we can continue to keep you up to date about this proposal.

If you would like to be on the email distribution list for this proposal, please contact the clearways project team at [clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au](mailto:clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au) or 1300 706 232.

We are continuing our evaluation and investigations into the key issues raised. We will prepare and publish an engagement report which provides responses to the key issues raised along with the next steps.

## How we talked to you

We used a number of methods to engage with the community:

- We distributed 22,500 letters to residents and businesses that use Old South Head Road
- We doorknocked impacted businesses
- We held an information session at Oxford Street Mall, Bondi Junction
- We published a social media post to reach motorists and the broader community.

## What you said

We received feedback from more than 70 community members.

Some of the feedback included:

- Access to properties
- Loading for businesses
- Parking in the local area
- Prioritisation of public transport
- Suggestions of changes to the wider road network.

## Other work in your area

We investigate clearways on State roads to help ease congestion and improve journey reliability.

On Monday 12 November, new and extended clearways were installed on New South Head Road between Waratah Street/McLachlan Avenue, Rushcutters Bay and Bay Street, Double Bay.

The clearway hours apply in both directions from:

- 6am to 7pm on weekdays and
- 9am to 6pm on weekends and public holidays.

Site observations have already confirmed a significant improvement in traffic flow, and feedback from road users has been positive with drivers experiencing a noticeable improvement in journey times.

New and extended clearways will increase the reliability of the State road network in Sydney's east. As clearway investigations progress in these areas we will continue to engage with the community on any new projects.

For more information on recently installed clearways see [rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways](http://rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways).

## Contact us

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



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