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$23 MILLION DELIVERED FOR CENTRAL COAST ROAD UPGRADES

Premier Gladys Berejiklian today joined Liberal candidate for the seat of Gosford, Jilly Pilon, to announce a $23 million roads package for the Central Coast.

The projects to be funded as part of the NSW Government package include:

• $8 million to install new traffic lights on Koolinda Avenue and Jirrah Avenue and create right turn lanes on Sunshine Drive and Sunnyside Avenue.

• $2 million to improve safety along Brisbane Water Drive around Point Clare School, including the installation of safety barriers and pedestrian fencing near Talinga Avenue and Takari Avenue.

• $13 million to continue planning to improve Blackwall Road and Memorial Avenue between Maitland Bay Drive and Victoria Road.

The Brisbane Water Drive upgrade will improve safety for children around Point Clare School.

“I’m pleased to also announce today that on top of this upgrade, Roads and Maritime Services has approved a school zone for Point Clare,” Ms Berejiklian said.

“We have listened to the concerns of parents and will ensure this project is delivered,” Mrs Pilon said.

The Blackwall Road upgrade would help ease traffic congestion. Drivers are travelling at less than 60 per cent of the posted speed limit during peak times.

The $23 million package also includes funding to investigate options for a pedestrian footpath between Collard Road and Jirrah Avenue, with work set to start soon.

“The NSW Government is committed to improving the road network and the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists and these projects are crucial for the Central Coast,” Ms Berejiklian said.