The NSW Government is acting to reduce congestion and delays on Sydney's roads. We know installing and extending clearways on weekdays and weekends can help reduce congestion in many areas of Sydney by allowing motorists to use all traffic lanes.

The Sydney Clearways Strategy identifies Lane Cove Road, from Bridge Road, North Ryde to Fontenoy Road, Macquarie Park, as a priority project for the introduction of a clearway to manage congestion. Before changes are made, we want your feedback on this proposal.

Roads and Maritime Services understands and appreciates the importance of finding a balance between the reduction of congestion and the needs of road users, local business operators and people accessing services. To balance the needs of road users and local businesses, we've created a $21 million fund to help identify alternative parking. We would like your comments by Friday 28 March on how clearways can be better used to reduce congestion on Lane Cove Road while minimising impacts on businesses and the community.

Background

Lane Cove Road is an important urban arterial road. It connects to Concord Road and Homebush Bay Drive south of Parramatta River and to Ryde Road and Mona Vale Road, north of the M2 Motorway. It also provides the primary access route from the south to Macquarie Park as well as access to major east/west roads including Victoria Road, Blaxland Road, Epping Road and the M2. It is also identified as an important bus route in Sydney's Bus Future*, for fast and frequent bus services.

There are no clearways on this critical section of Lane Cove Road between Bridge Road, North Ryde, and Fontenoy Road, Macquarie Park.

Preliminary investigations

Roads and Maritime is considering introducing new clearways on sections of road where:

- Travel speeds are less than 30km/h during peak times
- Directional traffic flow exceeds 800 vehicles per lane per hour during peak times
- The road is an important public transport and/or freight route for moving people and goods
- Alternative public parking close to local businesses can be found.

Early investigations show this section of Lane Cove Road fulfills these criteria. It is estimated this proposal would affect 36 shopping strip parking spaces which are used

*Sydney's Bus Future is a NSW Government long term plan. For more information visit transport.nsw.nsw.gov.au and search ‘Sydney's Bus Future’
What is a shopping strip?
A shopping strip is defined as retail shops accessed from the main road, with no customer parking on the premises.

Currently there are no weekday or weekend clearways on this section of Lane Cove Road.
regularly. The other affected parking spaces (about 265) along the route are rarely used as off street parking and unrestricted parking is available along side streets. Further investigations including analysis of community feedback and additional parking studies will be carried out to assess the best clearway proposal and alternative parking arrangements.

What hours of operation are proposed?
Based on initial investigations, Roads and Maritime is considering operating a clearway along Lane Cove Road in both directions on:

- Weekdays from 6am to 7pm
- Weekends from 9am to 6pm.

We welcome your comments on these proposed hours.

Investigations and community consultation
Investigations to identify and reduce impacts on the local community including:

- Working collaboratively with City of Ryde Council, including consideration of it’s planning strategies
- Carrying out parking surveys to determine specific locations where parking is an issue
- Finding alternative parking facilities nearby
- Looking at ways to encourage sustainable and active transport
- Considering pedestrian safety and amenity
- Consulting with the community.


What is a clearway?
You must not stop or park on a length of road where a clearway sign applies. The drivers of public buses and taxis are permitted to stop when dropping off or picking up passengers. If your vehicle is left on a clearway it will be towed away, usually to a nearby street and fines apply.

South of Talavera Road on Lane Cove Road, Macquarie Park.

North of Waterloo Road on Lane Cove Road, Macquarie Park.
Have your say

Roads and Maritime welcomes your comments by Friday 28 March on how clearways can be better used to reduce congestion along Lane Cove Road while minimising impacts on businesses and the community. Your suggestions will help us to determine the best way forward.

You can provide comments on the Lane Cove Road proposal or find out more by:

- Visiting rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways
  An interactive map is available to provide feedback at specific locations along the route
- Calling 1300 706 232
- Emailing clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au
- Writing to Clearways, Roads and Maritime Services, PO Box 973 Parramatta CBD NSW 2124
- Nominate another clearway at transport.nsw.gov.au/sydneyclearwaysstrategy
- Coming along to one of our drop in community information sessions to discuss the project with the project team.

Next steps

Investigations will continue into the feasibility of a clearway. A community issues report will be prepared summarising all of the comments we receive. This report will be made available on the Roads and Maritime website.

Timeframes for the project will depend on the ongoing investigations. We will keep the community informed as the project progresses.

Community information sessions

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