



Have your say on proposed new and extended clearways on Roberts Road and King Georges Road from the Hume Highway, Greenacre to the M5 Motorway, Beverly Hills

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King Georges Road is a key corridor on Sydney's road network and is used by over 70,000 motorists every day.

Roads and Maritime Services is seeking feedback by **Friday 9 December** on a revised proposal to extend the current weekday clearways and introduce new weekend clearways on Roberts Road and King Georges Road from the Hume Highway, Greenacre to the M5 Motorway, Beverly Hills.

Over the past two years, Roads and Maritime has been carrying out investigation work to understand the benefit a clearway could have on travel times on Roberts Road and King Georges Road and to identify alternative business parking arrangements.

When cars are parked in the kerbside lanes, motorists are forced to merge to two lanes of traffic. This causes significant delays and congestion.

We have revised our March 2014 proposal, in order to better cater for demand for business parking removed from King Georges Road. Our revised proposal includes:

- Loading zones and timed parking restrictions on Lakemba Street and The Boulevard, Wiley Park
- Altering the original proposed clearway hours of operation from 8am to 7pm on weekends, to 9am to 6pm on weekends
- A commuter car park on The Boulevard near Wiley Park Station.

Background

In December 2013, the NSW Government announced the Sydney Clearways Strategy as one of its key initiatives to reduce congestion on Sydney's roads. The NSW Government has committed \$121 million to implementing the strategy and installing new clearways on Sydney's road network.

Since 2013, we've installed over 120 kilometres of new and extended clearways across some of Sydney's busiest corridors and we are continuing to investigate new and extended weekday and weekend clearways across the network.

The strategy identified Roberts Road and King Georges Road as one of the five priority routes for further investigation of new and extended clearways.

Community consultation

In March 2014, Roads and Maritime consulted with the community on a proposal to install new clearways on Roberts Road and King Georges Road from the Hume Highway, Greenacre to the M5 Motorway, Beverly Hills. The original proposal was for extended and new clearway hours from 6am to 7pm on weekdays and from 8am to 7pm on weekends.

As a result of community and stakeholder feedback, we have revised our proposed clearway hours of operation and alternative business parking arrangements. This is to ensure a balance between local business parking needs, traffic flow and to provide consistent clearway hours along the corridor.

To view our Community Consultation Report, please visit rms.nsw.gov.au/clearways or contact the project team.

What hours of operation are proposed?

Roads and Maritime are proposing to install new and extended clearways on Roberts Road and King Georges Road from the Hume Highway, Greenacre to the M5 Motorway, Beverly Hills to operate in both directions:

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

These clearway hours are consistent with the clearway hours that have recently been installed on Centenary Drive to the north of this proposal. By providing consistent hours of operation of our clearway network, it minimises the chance of confusion or a mistake by motorists.

Results of additional investigation work

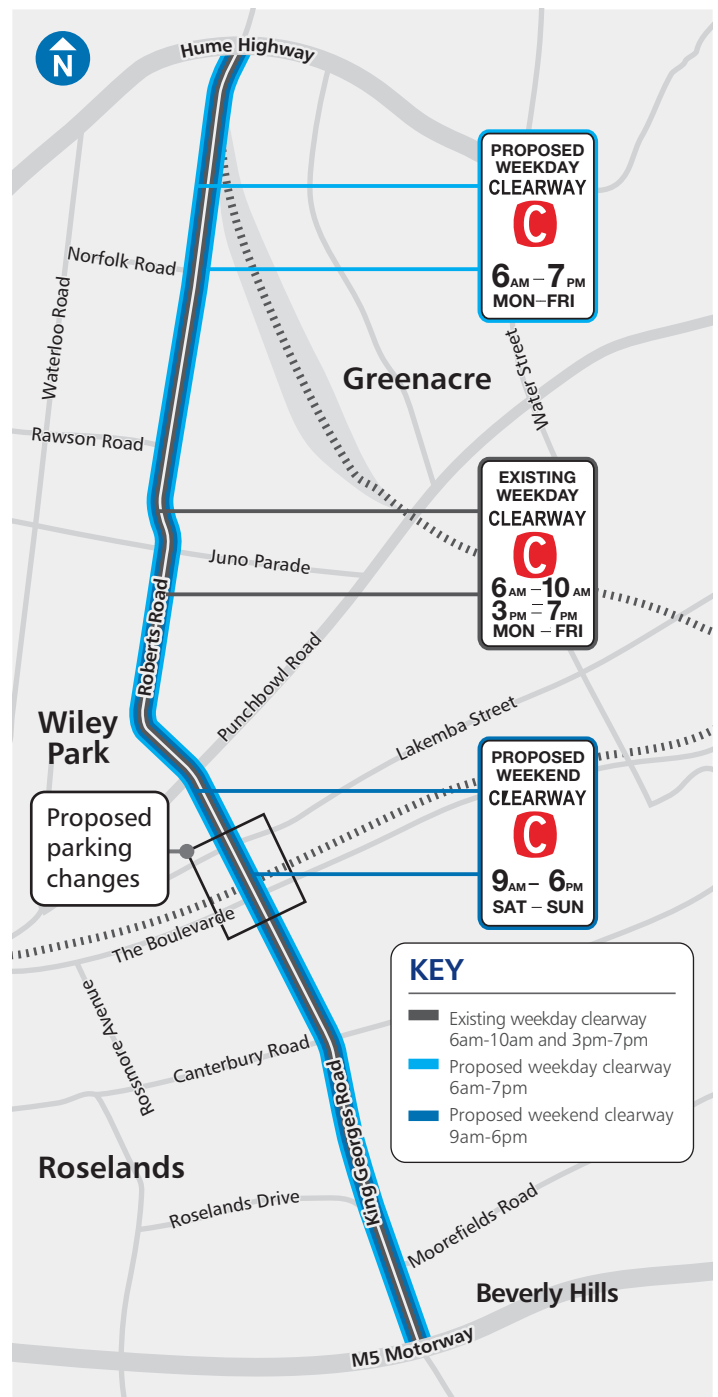
Preliminary investigation work showed this section of Roberts Road and King Georges Road fulfilled the criteria for further investigation of a clearway:

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

Investigations carried out found that:

- Customers impacted by the removal of 16 business parking spaces at the Wiley Park shopping strip could be directed to existing nearby parking in side streets
- Changes to timing restrictions and loading zones in nearby side streets would assist with offsetting the demand for business customer parking removed from King Georges Road during clearway operating hours
- A new 90 degree car park would provide a minimum of 14 additional parking spaces for commuters close to the Wiley Park train station.

Proposed new and extended clearways on Roberts Road and King Georges Road



Alternative parking arrangements

The proposal would impact 16 business parking spaces at the shopping strip near Wiley Park train station. The other affected residential parking spaces along the route are rarely used, as off street parking and unrestricted parking is available in side streets.

After receiving feedback on the previous proposal, Roads and Maritime has been working with City of Canterbury-Bankstown Council to identify alternative and improved business parking arrangements.

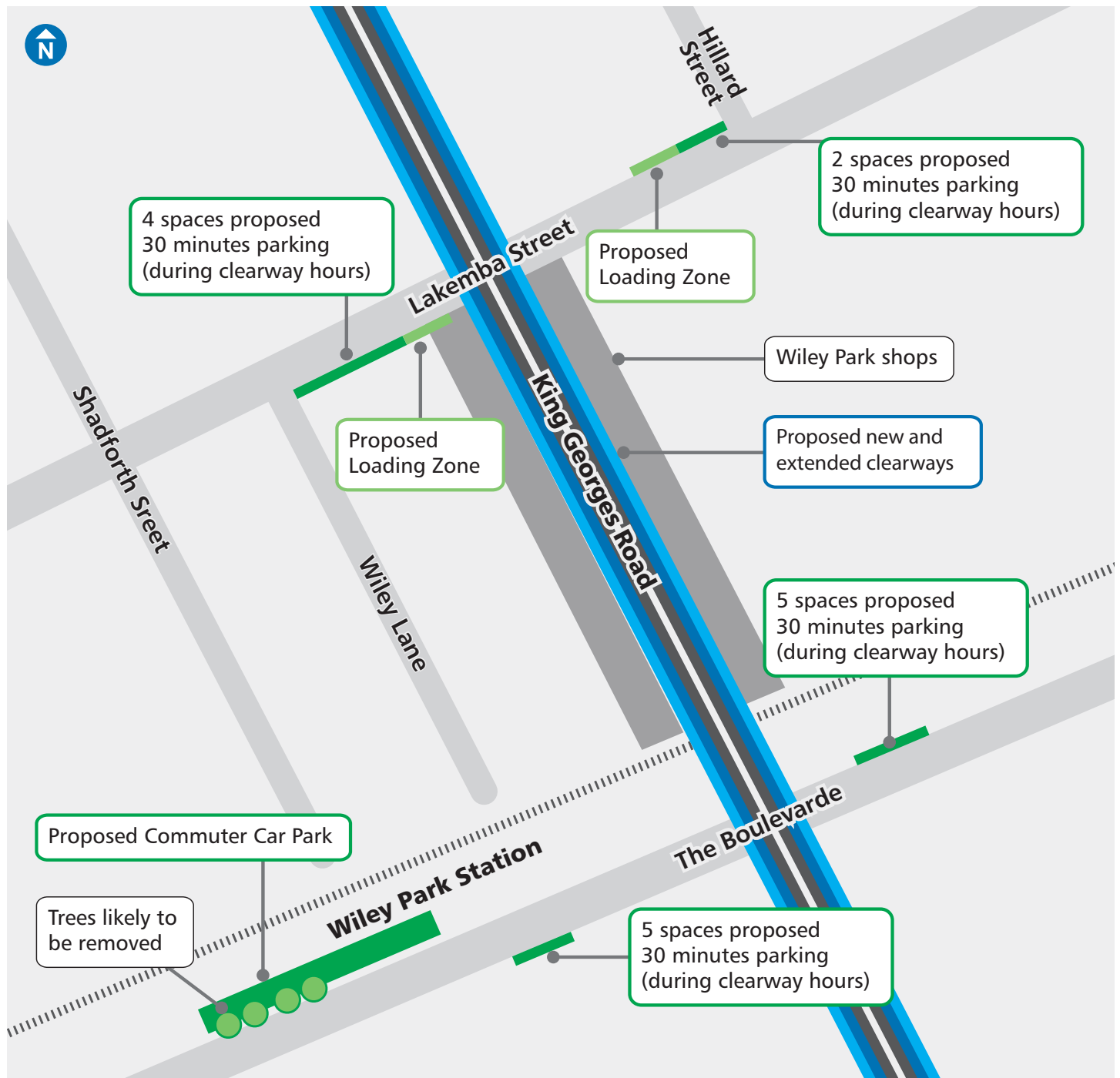
Parking studies identified that there was sufficient capacity in the adjacent side streets to accommodate the demand for business parking removed from King Georges Road.

We have identified potential alternative and improved business parking arrangements to cater for the demand for business parking removed from King Georges Road. These arrangements could include:

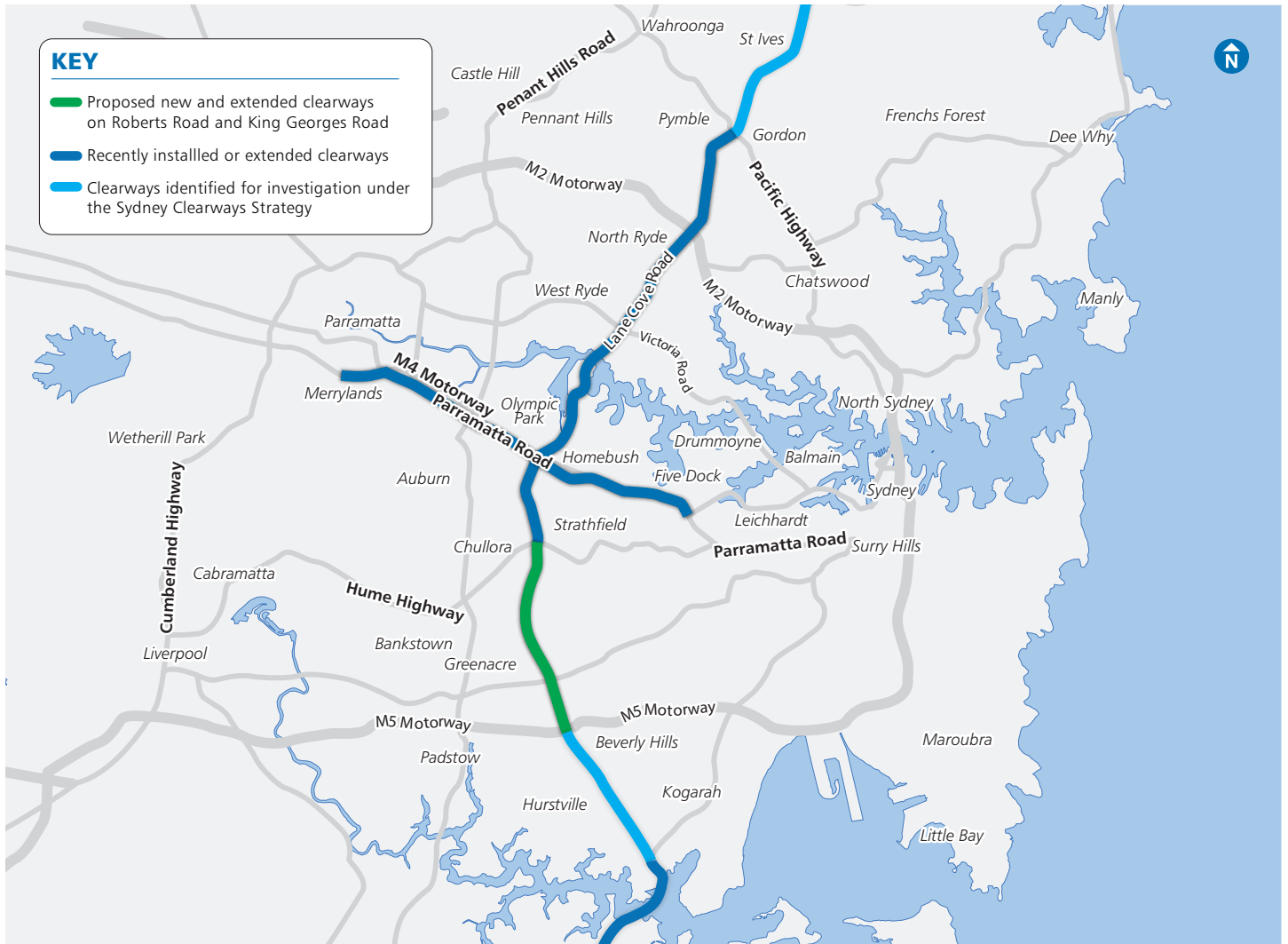
- Converting existing parking to loading zones and timed parking restrictions on Lakemba Street and The Boulevarde at Wiley Park
- A commuter car park on The Boulevarde near Wiley Park Station.

Building the commuter car park is likely to require the removal of up to four trees.

Proposed parking changes



Location map



Next steps

We would like to hear from you on this revised proposal by **Friday 9 December**. We will continue to work with City of Canterbury-Bankstown Council to seek agreement on the improved business parking arrangements.

We will consider all feedback received before deciding whether to proceed with the proposal. A community consultation report will be prepared summarising the matters raised and will be made available on our website.

We will keep you updated as the proposal progresses.



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