



Robyn Preston MP

Member for Hawkesbury

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\$100 MILLION FOR PITT TOWN BYPASS

Member for Hawkesbury, Robyn Preston MP welcomed the NSW Government's funding announcement of \$100 million for the construction of the Pitt Town bypass.

This funding is part of the \$1 billion commitment from the WestInvest fund to upgrade critical roads across the region.

Ms Preston said that this funding is an important investment which will direct more attention towards Western Sydney roads.

"It's a big day for Hawkesbury as this crucial project will be well received on the back of recent flooding events in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley," Ms Preston said.

Premier Dominic Perrottet said the Government was backing the people of Western Sydney with this major investment in the road network to keep people moving, reduce congestion and boost flood resilience.

"Western Sydney is booming and we are making sure that families who live across this fast growing region have the very best roads and infrastructure to keep them moving," Mr Perrottet said.

"This \$1 billion investment in critical upgrades to major roads across the region is a game changer and will make sure that Western Sydney continues to grow and thrive.

"This is all part of our long-term economic plan for Western Sydney, which includes targeted cost of living measures including toll relief, \$16 billion for critical transport infrastructure, more than \$480 million on local hospitals and health services, and the construction of new schools," Mr Perrottet said.

Treasurer Matt Kean said the \$1 billion investment was made possible because of the NSW Government's strong economic management.

"This investment will not only ensure people get to spend more time with family and friends instead of in traffic, but it will significantly improve the safety profile of these critical corridors," Mr Kean said.

"The increased productivity which results from these road improvements will inject millions of dollars into the state's economy which benefits every single person across NSW."

Minister for Metropolitan Roads Natalie Ward said the improvements are also targeted to improve flood evacuation routes for families in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley and around Pitt Town.

“We are working towards widening Garfield Road East to a four-lane divided road, providing a flood evacuation route with increased capacity as well as a better connection to the communities of Marsden Park, Box Hill, Richmond, Schofields and Rouse Hill,” Mrs Ward said.

“The Pitt Town Bypass is also a project the community has been calling for so I’m incredibly pleased we can deliver it, significantly increasing the community’s resilience to flooding events.”

Ms Preston said that along with the Pitt Town community’s advocacy for this infrastructure, her representations to Government Ministers has drawn attention to the merit of this project.

“With the bypass route locked in and land acquisitions completed, the next step is to award the contract prior to construction commencing.” Ms Preston said.

This funding will also support significant road projects, including:

- **\$200 million** for safety improvements on Elizabeth Dr at critical sections between Devonshire Rd and Western Road, Kemps Creek;
- **\$100 million** to enable the upgrade of a 3.4 kilometre section of Garfield Road East between Piccadilly Street, Riverstone and Windsor Road, Box Hill;
- **\$600 million** for roads infrastructure upgrades to be delivered within the 15 eligible WestInvest Local Government Areas, to be determined.

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