UPDATE

Tough action needed to get trucks off Botany Road

It's time tough action was taken to get heavy trucks off Botany Road.

RTA surveys confirm what local residents know – truck drivers aren't complying with the Port Botany Truck Route.

We need mandatory load and length limits on the residential sections of Botany Road to ban trucks. The only exceptions would be STA buses, and the southern end of Botany Road where some trucks have legitimate destinations.

Thanks to all local residents who signed my petition to get trucks off Botany Road.

Recently, I secured extra funding for the Botany Bay Highway Patrol Unit to set up Operation Payload. This targets heavy trucks on Botany Road, Botany and will run for 7 two-week sessions over 12 months.

After the first session of Operation Payload, truck drivers got the clear message that unsafe driving practices would not be tolerated in Botany. Local families want these restrictions, and the highway patrol supports us.



Kristina has been leading the fight against trucks on Botany Road.

I am fighting to get the Minister for Roads and the Government to take strong action and introduce mandatory load and length limits on Botany Road.

Ramps to reduce traffic congestion

The NSW Government will build ramps on Gardeners Road at Eastlakes to provide direct access to and from Southern Cross Drive.

This will reduce traffic congestion along local roads, including:

- O'Dea and Lachlan Streets;
- Lenthall Street; and
- Sutherland, King and Maloney Streets, and Wentworth Avenue.

This is the first part of a 10-year South Sydney road package announced in 2003.

An environmental assessment as well as investigations into pedestrian movements and local traffic arrangements will be completed in 2004.

A community update will be distributed to local residents and businesses outlining the proposal.

Every car or truck we can get off our local roads is a plus.



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