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Amon calls for noise cameras in Pittwater

Member for Pittwater Rory Amon has today called on the Chris Minns Labor Government to trial noise cameras in Pittwater.

"Noise cameras have phenomenal capacity to reduce the antisocial behaviour of hooning and the associated noise. The current methods of enforcing vehicular noise restrictions are cumbersome and impractical. They require the physical stationing of police in certain locations at certain times to catch the culprits, but there are almost always issues around enforceability, and this also diverts resources from other police work. Our local police do amazing work, but they cannot be everywhere all the time" commented Mr Amon.

The calls come after years of hooning activity in the Pittwater area, despite ongoing and fruitful operations from local Police.

"Noise cameras are the holy grail in combating vehicular hooning. Minister, for years Palm Beach residents and residents in the vicinity of McCarrs Creek Road have been significantly impacted by hoons in cars and on motorbikes. This has required ongoing police monitoring" wrote Mr Amon in a letter to the Minister in charge, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the Labor Government to show Pittwater that they will benefit from new initiatives under this Government, just as we did under the former government when, for example, the trialling of Keoride in Pittwater became a wildly successful government initiative which is now permanent" said Mr Amon.

Mr Amon has urged the Labor Government to work with the Northern Beaches Police Local Area Command and Transport for NSW in identifying suitable sites to trial noise cameras in at least two locations in the Pittwater area, including in Palm beach and in the McCarrs Creek Road vicinity.

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