

Dear John

Thank you for your enquiry.

I am standing for the seat of Heathcote at the March 2011 NSW State election as an Independent with the support of former South Coast parliamentarian and legendary corruption fighter, John Hatton.

John's return to politics to stand for the Upper House has inspired me to nominate for the lower house – as John puts it – "there will be a seminal change in politics". I have embraced the principles of open and transparent decision making free of political influence (link to be established).

The core local <u>issues</u> in my home town that have prompted me to nominate are protecting the Royal National Park and Sydney's Water Catchment area which are under threat from Coal Seam Gas (methane) mining and a Power Station. I will be progressively announcing statements on other issues in the electorate throughout the campaign.

Your comments and feedback is sincerely appreciated. I have attached a schedule that details many community views from which a permanent SOLUTION could be moved forward — with something that I believe in and would support and fight to achieve. It is a holistic approach to problem solving, not just throwing money at a problem that doesn't adequately resolve all the community problems on the issue.

I believe through community consultation, solutions can be found to any problem, we just need to have a desire in our MP's to be inclusive of community wishes.

You are welcome to distribute my correspondence to other interested community members.

Finally, by way of futher illustration how I will maintain my independence, I am not accepting donations in this campaign. I believe this shows me to be above party politics, to be truly independent and free to make decisions based on community consultation, not the quantum or source of such donations.

I would be pleased to hear from the community that share my vision that could assist with leatter box distribution, handouts at events, and of course 2 hours on polling day. This would be sincerely appreciated.

Warmest regards Greg Petty

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Greg Petty for a BIG difference!

## **ATTACHMENT**

## Heathcote Highway John VanderJagt

"Been campaigning very hard to have the Heathcote highway mess fixed up. Currently the ALP have cancelled our RTA approved clearway and have simply vanished"

## Community Feedback in note form – including other problems related to your issue

Overbridge for pedestrians or tunnel like Engadine Railway Station, slip lane for left turn onto Highway but not at Oliver St, north at Veno St (Heathcote Hotel corner). Land for slip lane can be obtained from rail side of highway and maybe some from Hotel.

Why not changing lane patterns, as RTA do at other locations? Railway side of Highway "No Stopping" in morning peak and clearway in afternoon.

Morning Peak – 4 lanes north bound from where 50kpm now starts – all the way to nearly Heathcote road so four lanes go down Heathcote Rd – fourth lane parking and slip lane for Veno St – address appropriate speed for Heathcote CBD on Highway.

I've often looked at that huge grassy median strip and thought why don't they scrape that away and use it as an extra northbound lane.

Afternoon peak – 3 lanes south bound all clearway and 3 north bound.

Sunday afternoon's – backs up to Waterfall – not a good way to remember your south coast trip. What affect is it having on tourism?

RTA still does it at Alfred's Point Bridge, why not Heathcote?

More parking at Heathcote Station - why not underground at school playing field?

ENGADINE - Also similar problem at Engadine in both morning and afternoon peaks — needs to be clearway with more commuter parking along railway land south of Station — similar to what is north of station. This can only get worse over time!

LOFTUS – more parking needed at Station. Same at Waterfall but where?

WILDLIFE COURSEWAY over the Waterfall / Helensburgh Old Princes Hwy turnoff for wildlife (10-20m wide bridge covered soil and bush) to re-connect the Royal National Park to Heathcote National Park & Garrawarra, to re-establish the migratory, feeding and fire fleeing patterns (there have been successful ones in QLD, Canada and Germany)

LOFTUS TRAMWAY MUSEUM is in the Heathcote electorate. What happened to the plan to have the museum's track in to Sutherland to the old Tramway stop (just south of the senior citizens centre)? Sutherland Council is "remodelling" the intersection of President Ave and Old Highway without any consideration for the planned tram tracks. Why?

BALH HILL – roundabout – has been discussed for 10 years! Major accident waiting to happen.