

Investing in Local Families



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Delivering Locally

Cuts to School Funding

At a time when local families are already doing it tough, I am disappointed to see that the Government has cut **funding to our local schools**.

Learning support has been axed and infrastructure projects cancelled. **Even the Healthy Harold program is under threat** thanks to significant cuts to local schools. This is simply not good enough – our kids deserve better.

I have launched a petition to demand that the NSW Government put our kids first and restore public school funding! Scan the QR code to sign my petition today.

Harold's future not looking healthy

GOVERNMENT CUTS FUNDS FOR SCHOOLS WELLBEING PROGRAM

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Easing the Cost-of-Living

Local families **continue to struggle with the cost-of-living crisis**. Grocery and petrol prices are soaring, mortgages and interest rates keep going up and **financial pressures are impacting the family budget**.

All the while, the Government continues to **inflate the cost of services, tax you more and remove vital cost-of-living support measures**. As your State Member of Parliament, I am committed to fighting for local families, to see that the Government **does more to ease cost-of-living pressures within our community**.

Check out the **Cost-of-Living Hub** on the Service NSW website. This tool is designed to **put more money back into your pockets**, with useful tips, tricks and savings tailored specifically to you.

You can also book a **free 45-minute appointment with a Savings Finder specialist**. Introduced under

the former Liberal Government, this is designed to help you and your family find any vouchers and rebates that you may be eligible for.

I am continuing to call on the NSW Labor Government to **ease pressure on the family budget**. Specifically, I am campaigning for the re-establishment of the Creative Kids, Active Kids and Back to School vouchers.

These programs have made an enormous difference to local families, so I ask you to **join me in the fight**. You can sign my petitions by visiting markcoure.com.au.

Fighting for upgrades to Evatt Park

Evatt Park is a **special place for our local community**. It is not only a beautiful and vibrant patch of green space, but it also serves as an important community hub for sport and recreation.

However, the facilities and amenities at Evatt Park are in desperate need of an upgrade. The amenities block is of significant concern, as it lacks the space to cater for more female participation in grassroots sport.

I have voiced my concerns directly to the Minister for Sport, **requesting that the State Government provide funding to upgrade Evatt Park** to serve the needs of our local community.



GET A BOOST FOR YOUR BUDGET



Cost of Living Hub

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Out and about in the Local Area



Investing in Local Infrastructure



Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea

Our 13th annual Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea was a huge success! I'm proud to announce that thanks to the generosity of our community, **we raised over \$3200.**

This funding will be going straight towards prevention, research and practical support for patients and their families. Thanks to groups like the Cancer Council, **cancer survival rates have increased from 49% in the 1980s to 69% today.**

I would personally like to thank the community for **supporting this endeavour over the last 14 years.** Stay tuned to my website and social media for more information regarding my 2025 Biggest Morning Tea next year!



Beverly Hills Commuter Car park Update

If you have driven past Beverly Hills recently, you might have noticed that the **brand-new Commuter Car park** is taking shape! This significant infrastructure project is set to deliver approximately **200 new parking spaces** for Beverly Hills.

Over the coming weeks, a lift, the façade and services to all levels of the car park will be installed. We are delivering the infrastructure that will **keep Beverly Hills moving and take parked cars off local roads.**

I look forward to keeping the community updated on its progress.

Local Students win the FishTank Competition

As your local MP and in my role as Shadow Minister for Innovation, Science and Technology, I believe it is important to recognise **talented young innovators within our community.**

I recently had the opportunity to do just that at Georges River College Peakhurst, where a number of students were awarded **first place** in the **Fish Tank Competition**, as a part of the Volvo Ocean Lovers Festival.

The six students won \$3000 for their school through a project called 'Mechanically Driven Artificial Upwelling', which aims to attract and nurture marine life. **A big congratulations to all of the students involved!**



New Raised Pedestrian Crossing on Hillcrest Avenue and Ellen Subway

After fighting hard for several months, **two brand-new raised pedestrian crossings** have been installed along Ellen Subway and Hillcrest Avenue. This is a big win for our local community!

Many residents had previously raised safety concerns along these roads, especially due to the number of **young children** and **seniors** that use the crossings.

Thanks to **\$210,000 in funding** provided by Transport for NSW, we are continuing to make our community safer for all residents.



CASS Community Centre Upgrade

I recently visited CASS in Peakhurst, to announce much-needed funding to upgrade their centre, which will cater for a new **healthy ageing wellbeing hub.**

This is all part of my commitment to invest and **deliver locally** for our community.

Over the last 43 years, CASS has provided **culturally appropriate care** in our community to the young, old and everyone in between. I am incredibly proud of the work that they do.



Oatley-Como Walkway and Cycleway: \$350K Secured for Future Upgrades

The Oatley-Como Walkway and Cycleway is a **fantastic local asset**, however it requires significant upgrades to restore it to its former glory.

I am pleased to announce that after tireless advocacy from the local community, we have **secured \$350,000 in funding** for Georges River Council, to design future upgrades to the shared pathway and cycleway.

Whilst this is just the first step, I would like to thank everyone who signed my petition and supported this campaign from the very beginning.