

INQUIRY INTO ROAD TOLLING REGIMES

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The way that the toll roads were set up, had little foresight for the financial impact the ongoing and ever increasing tolls (by way of CPI every six months and no end date in sight) would have on companies and individuals

If the motorways were built correctly to start with i.e. three to four lanes as a minimum NOT two!!!! then some of the costs would be understandable, but currently, it seems the toll companies get a free ride to increase their bottom lines every single six months, with no major outlay (as CPI has not increased as much as the tolls over the last 10 years (M2 case in point!!!!!!!!!!!!)).

Other alternative routes were adequate to hold the amount of traffic, but Sydney has nowhere near the ability to manage the past volume, let alone current AND future. Not to mention the terrible sequencing of traffic lights just before, during and after peak hour, which makes commute times even longer and more frustrating.

Public transport doesn't work effectively in certain areas, but the ludicrous and common thievery of level of tolls in Sydney is a disgrace. This should be capped to a maximum of \$20 per day per vehicle and the CPI increase should be disbarred from current and future toll roads.