Moreland Bicycle User Group - Council Candidates Survey 2016

The Moreland Bicycle User Group (BUG) is conducting a survey of candidates for Moreland in the 2016 Council election to inform members of candidates' attitudes to cycling.

The survey should take no more than 5 minutes.

Your name *

Dale Martin

Your party affiliation (or Independent) *

The Greens

How often do you ride a bicycle? *

- Daily
- O Weekly
- O Monthly
- O Occasionally
- Rarely
- O Never
- O Other:

Are you a member of any cycling organisations?



Other:

What is your perception of bicycle safety in Moreland? *

\bigcirc	About right
	Not very safe
\bigcirc	Very unsafe
\bigcirc	Other:

Road safety, environmental sustainability, greenhouse emissions and public health & obesity are important public policy issues which are influenced by decisions you will make if you are elected. Do you see bicycle riding helping to solve any of these problems? *

0	Unrelated
\bigcirc	Some
	Significant part of the solution
\bigcirc	Other:

Do you think that the best solution to road traffic congestion is: *

O Building more roads

- Providing sustainable transport options such as public transport and safer cycling that take cars off the road
- O Other:

What is the most appropriate traffic speed for our local streets to ensure safety for all users? *



O Other:

The Moreland Bicycle Strategy

(http://www.moreland.vic.gov.au/globalassets/key-docs/policystrategy-plan/bicycle-strategy-2011-21.pdf) states that "To deliver these projects Council will need to increase funding commitments beyond historic levels [\$5 per resident] and commit to increasing bicycle expenditure in response to growth in cyclist numbers, population and inflation." In your view is \$5 per resident: *

0	Too much
\bigcirc	About right
	Not enough
\bigcirc	Other:

What is the role of Council and Councillor decisions in promoting cycling in Moreland? *

- O None/there are other priorities to focus on
- O Minimal happy to lend passive support for projects funded by others
- O Moderate
- Major cycling is a local issue with significant local benefits
- O Other:

Where do you see the role of cycling in Moreland in four years and what would your contribution to that be? Don't forget to press "SUBMIT" when you have finished. Thanks for you participation! *

Cycling is a great way to get around. Encouraging more cyclists on the roads cuts pollution and traffic congestion and keeps everyone happy and healthy - I don't even own a car. I rely on my trusty road bike, public transport and the occasional Uber or share car. Council has a responsibility to ensure cycling is as safe and accessible as possible.

All greens candidates running for Council will increase funding on cycleways and walkways by 50%. This will enable Council to implement the Moreland Bicycle Strategy 2011-2021 including:

- completing the upgrade and lighting of the Upfield bike path;

- completing gaps in the Merri creek trail;

- improving bicycle parking at train stations and throughout the city and continuing to ensure developers integrate bicycle facilities into new dwellings.

The Greens will also advocate for more separated bikes lanes for safer travel, including on Sydney Road (where I have unfortunately been hit on my bike before).

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