

# Moreland Bicycle User Group - Pascoe Vale Candidates Survey, Victorian State Election 2018

Moreland Bicycle User Group (BUG) is conducting a survey of candidates for Pascoe Vale in the 2018 Victorian State election to inform members of candidates' attitudes to cycling.

The survey should take no more than 10 minutes and your responses can contain links to relevant election policies.

Your name \*

Graeme Linsell

Your party affiliation (or Independent) \*

Animal Justice Party

How often do you ride a bicycle? \*

☐ Daily or most days

☐ Weekly

☒ Monthly

☐ Occasionally

☐ Rarely

☐ Never

☐ Other: .....

What will you do to support building the Craigieburn Express (a cycle route along the Craigieburn line from Pascoe Vale Station to the Western Ring Road – with the option to extend further north to the Broadmeadows Central Activities District – and further south to Melbourne’s CBD via Moonee Ponds Activities Centre)? See <https://moreland.vic.gov.au/globalassets/key-docs/policy-strategy-plan/bicycle-strategy-2011-21-appendix-10-of-25.pdf>

The Animal Justice Party would support a transportation method that did not impose upon the welfare of animals and improved the environment by not adding to Climate Change.

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Do you think that separated or protected bike lanes should be installed when accessible tram stops are built in Sydney Rd, Nicholson St, Lygon St and Melville Rd? See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cycle\\_track](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cycle_track)

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Other:

The Animal Justice Party has as one of its values Rationality that would mean any decision made by a candidate would be based upon sound evidence taken in such factors as the continued viability of the shopping precinct, the environmental benefits. This of course would be done in consultation with VicRoads being the relevant roads authority.

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What will you do to ensure that the Upfield Shared Path continues north across the Ring Road to Upfield Station (and beyond)?

Again AJP would support (in principle) the extension of the bike path along the Upfield railway line to the ring road, ensuring there is no impact upon the existing biodiversity.

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What will you do to ensure that the Glenroy to Coburg East-West link is built using separated or protected bike lanes? See <https://moreland.vic.gov.au/globalassets/key-docs/policy-strategy-plan/bicycle-strategy-2011-21-appendix-12-of-25.pdf>

I have not been able to access the aforementioned file(s) so I choose at this time not to make any formal comment.

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Will you commit to ensuring that bike infrastructure is provided as part of all state funded transport projects?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Other:

Each project would need to be based upon each of its merits and the appropriate level of rationality.

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Will you commit to a Bike Fund that provides at least \$126 million per year for bicycle infrastructure in Victoria?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Other:

As we are a micro party compared to the other major parties hence we would not be in a position to make such a financial commitment without having the authority over the Department of Treasury and Finance.

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What is your perception of bicycle safety in the Pascoe Vale electorate? \*

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- ☐ About right
- ☐ Not very safe
- ☐ Very unsafe

☒ Other:

There appears to me to be segments of bike paths and bike lanes that don't necessarily connect to each other thus, creating an efficient and effective cycling network.

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? \*

- ☐ Bicycle riding won't help solve these problems
- ☒ Bicycle riding will help solve some of these problems
- ☐ Bicycle riding is a significant part of the solution
- ☐ Other: .....

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

- ☐ Building more roads
- ☐ Providing sustainable transport options such as public transport and safer cycling that take cars off the road
- ☒ Other:  
This is only on the provision that our ecology is fully considered and not further impacted upon.

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

☐ 30 km/h

☐ 40 km/h

☒ 50 km/h

☐ 60 km/h

☐ Other: .....

What will you do over the next four years to improve cycling in the Pascoe Vale electorate? Thanks for your participation! Don't forget to press "SUBMIT" when you have finished. \*

The Animal Justice Party would like to see the increase use of bicycles throughout the electorate as this would lead to a reduction in the reliance of motor vehicles and a reduction in greenhouse gases which will consequently lead to an improvement in our environment.

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