

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 *

John Kavanagh
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Your party affiliation (or Independent) *

Independent
.....

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>

Yes

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

Yes

No

Other: These need to be decided on a case-by-case basis after detailed analysis.

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

Yes (although this is outside the electorate - I will strongly advocate for it.)

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>

Yes (and have voted this way consistently)

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

Yes

No

Other:

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

Yes

No

Other:

If elected, I will be an Independent MP and will not control the budget. What I will do is advocate to ensure that Bicycle Infrastructure receives a fair share.
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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:

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:

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. *

With increasing population the need is urgent. I believe in the amalgamation of Transport and Road ministries. For too long the obsession of increasing lanes on freeways has shown to be the wrong way to go. The balance has to shift back to sustainable transport modes. Vic Roads should be renamed Vic Movements (or something similar) and their focus has to change into a body that looks at multi-modal solutions to problems. I congratulate the current state government on Metro Tunnel and the Suburban Rail Loop projects.

I thank Moreland BUG for their continued advocacy on behalf of all cyclists.

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