

Moreland Bicycle User Group - Brunswick Candidates Survey, Victorian State Election 2018

Moreland Bicycle User Group (BUG) is conducting a survey of candidates for Brunswick 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 *

Kerry Sourasis
.....

Your party affiliation (or Independent) *

Independent
.....

How often do you ride a bicycle? *

Daily or most days

Weekly

Monthly

Occasionally

Rarely

Never

Other:

Unfortunately I wasn't allowed to even learn how to ride a bike because I was female,
so if someone wants to teach me more than willing to learn
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What will you do to ensure that the Upfield Shared Path detour at Jewell Station is opened as soon as possible? The path is currently planned to be closed until mid 2019, inconveniencing more than 1000 people who cycle that route between 7:00am and 9:00am (<https://www.victrack.com.au/projects/key-projects/jewell-station-precinct>)

Lobby the Federal/State Government to speed up the process and finish as early as possible

Are you aware that 10.2% of employed people ride to work in Brunswick (compared with 6.2% catching the train)? See ABS Census http://quickstats.censusdata.abs.gov.au/census_services/getproduct/census/2016/quickstat/SED21303?opendocument

Yes

No

Other: I'm learning very quickly

What will you do to ensure that there are significant improvements for sustainable/active transport as part of the Level Crossing Removal projects on the Upfield line (as required by the Transport Integration Act)?

This is part of the platform I stand for and my proposal is to actively lobby those in decision making positions to spend money on modernizing, beautifying and increasing the efficiency and speed of train travel so that it is on a par if not in excess of world standards. This will then encourage people to use public transport knowing they will get to their destination on time, faster than by car, and catch up on their messages or reading at the same time (bike riders included especially on bad weather days)

What will you do to ensure that the East Brunswick Shimmy in John St is not adversely affected by the East Brunswick Village project? See <https://moreland.vic.gov.au/globalassets/areas/transport/moreland-cycling-map.pdf> and <https://www.urban.com.au/projects/east-brunswick-village-127-139-nicholson-street-brunswick-east>

My objective is to intertwine community groups so we can each support each other so its not a matter of either or but how do we best work this so we all love our community

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 Grantham St/Melville Rd? See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cycle_track

Yes

No

Other:

I didn't know that accessible tram stops had already been approved for Brunswick. So this needs to be more seriously considered given the adverse repercussions for our community

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

Yes

No

Other:

One cannot generalize and committing to "all state funded transport projects" is too big a commitment for me to agree to at this early stage

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

Yes

No

Other:

As stated previously, I cannot answer this question because I don't know what that involves or where it is going to be spent

What is your perception of bicycle safety in Brunswick? *

About right

Not very safe

Very unsafe

Other:

In Sydney road in particular it is very unsafe and we have already seen one person die as a consequence

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:
It is a combination of the above. We need cars for bad weather days, for areas where public transport is ineffective etc

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 Brunswick? Thanks for your participation! Don't forget to press "SUBMIT" when you have finished. *

cycling is a priority area for me but it needs to be in a safe environment and not putting riders lives at risk

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