

Moreland Bicycle User Group - Northern Metropolitan Region Candidates Survey, Victorian State Election 2018

Moreland Bicycle User Group (BUG) is conducting a survey of candidates for the Legislative Council Northern Metropolitan Region 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 *

Mark McDonald

Your party affiliation (or Independent) *

Sustainable Australia

How often do you ride a bicycle? *

☐ Daily or most days

☒ Weekly

☐ Monthly

☐ Occasionally

☐ Rarely

☐ Never

☐ Other:

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

The policy of Sustainable Australia is to increase the cycling network extensively. Great opportunity to do this as part of the elevation of the tracks. Any opportunity comes along I would advocate for this.

What will you do to support the Northern Trails Strategy? See

<https://www.northerntrails.melbourne>

Great project. Once have a seat advocate its budgeted in.

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:

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:

As bicycle infrastructure funding has been neglected verses other transport types I think a period of heavy investment like this is now necessary. As a person who lived in The Netherlands and where my entire life was on a bike for many years, I can understand the benefits of a safe and separate bicycle network and will be an advocate for it.

What is your perception of bicycle safety in Victoria? *

☐ 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:

I think it depends on the roads. There needs to be more safe cycling routes where traffic types are safely separated.
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What will you do over the next four years to improve cycling in Victoria?
Thanks for your participation! Don't forget to press "SUBMIT" when you have finished. *

Myself and party according to our policies will advocate for and work with other parties and organisations on building better bicycling networks.
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