

# 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 \*

Tim Read  
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Your party affiliation (or Independent) \*

Greens  
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How often do you ride a bicycle? \*

Daily or most days

Weekly

Monthly

Occasionally

Rarely

Never

Other: .....

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>)

Contact the Minister for Transport (responsible for VicTrack) and NeoMetro to open discussions about an earlier reopening date.

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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](http://quickstats.censusdata.abs.gov.au/census_services/getproduct/census/2016/quickstat/SED21303?opendocument)

Yes

No

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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)?

I will arrange to meet with the LXRA and also raise this with the Minister for Transport. Ensuring a good outcome for bikes with the level crossing removals is a priority of mine. I don't want outcomes like Camp Road or Buckley St.

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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>

I have already been pushing for improvements in the shimmy, specifically at the intersection of Glenlyon and John St where bike and pedestrian traffic is expected to increase when the Village is complete. A cyclist was recently hit by a car here and I think lights or a reduction in speed limit are required. It's important that most car traffic from the Village be directed to Nicholson St rather than the shimmy. The bike lanes on John St were never wide enough and increasing width to account for dooring zones should be considered.

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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 Grantham St/Melville Rd? See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cycle\\_track](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cycle_track)

Yes

No

Other:

I say yes to this, but I want protected bike lanes in Sydney Rd ASAP rather than waiting for the tram stop rebuild.

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- Yes
- No
- Other: .....

What is your perception of bicycle safety in Brunswick? \*

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

I have promoted the idea of a separated bike lane along Sydney Rd from Bell St to St Kilda. But we shouldn't restrict this to Sydney Rd. I believe Brunswick can become a cycling neighbourhood and used as an example for the rest of Australia. We can't make our streets wider but we can move more people by bike and public transport than we ever will by car. We need to win back more of our city from cars and we can start by legitimising bikes as a mode of transport, rather than something you give your kid for Christmas.

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