

PTUA Geelong Branch Policy Scorecard:

(Policies and commitments as released by 25/11/02)

Issue	PTUA Recommendation	Labor	Liberal	Greens
Train Frequency	Trains to Melbourne at least every half-hour all day in both directions, more in peak times.	No strong commitments: As part of fast rail, will introduce "higher" Frequency peak and off-peak trains.	No strong commitments: Will "seek to increase" regional fast rail service frequencies.	Trains every 20 min in peak hour and every 30 min off-peak. 👍👍
Fares	-Cheaper train fares including travel on Geelong buses and Melbourne's public transport. -Cheaper bus fares on the Bellarine Peninsula.	No commitments	-Peak train fares to Melbourne cut to \$13.80 return from all Geelong stations, and \$47.50 for weekly tickets. -Will "investigate options" for V/Line tickets to apply to local buses and Melbourne transport. 👍	A single ticketing system allowing Geelong travellers access to the entire Melbourne public transport system without purchasing another ticket. 👍
Bus frequency	At least every 15 min in Geelong until midnight, half-hourly on the Peninsula and to Torquay, and hourly along the Gr Ocean Rd	No new commitments: (Very minor bus funding in the last budget.)	No commitments	-Frequent buses, more to the coast in holiday periods. -Night buses especially on Fri and Sat nights. 👍
Bus connections to trains	A bus from each route connecting with every train.	No funded commitments.	No commitments	Bus schedules that meet trains. 👍
Grovedale Station	-Construction of a complete, staffed station. -All / most Geelong trains extended to Grovedale. -Reliable bus connections to G'dale/W. Ponds, Torquay and the Great Ocean Road.	-\$3 million for a station with no ticket office. -Very poor 58 train services per week (only one in five trains extending to Grovedale.) -Track cost cutting could restrict future service upgrades.	-\$7.5 million committed to building the full station. -Will "seek to provide" for trains departing Grovedale "every hour, on the hour, seven days a week." 👍	-Support a staffed Grovedale Station to the west of the Surfcoast Hwy. -Minimum 300 services per week. -Bus connections to Deakin, Waurin Ponds and the Surfcoast. 👍👍
Other	-Fix overcrowding. -Full-time bus service linking the north and south of the Peninsula. -Better planning for a coordinated transport network.	No new commitments (Promised last election: "Fast Rail" track and signalling upgrade between Geelong and Werribee and some new rail cars.)	-Honour Labor's Geelong "fast rail" upgrade. -Establish a new State "Transport Authority" to plan and coordinate public transport. 👍	-Extra carriages for peak trains. -A regular cross- peninsular bus. -Upgrade Newport- Spencer St track. -Free bicycle travel. 👍👍
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