



## 2022 Vic State Election Scorecard

See <https://www.ptua.org.au/election2022/> for summary

	Already funded	Labor	Coalition	Greens
<b>Metropolitan trains</b>	<p>More level crossing removals. including Upfield line (by 2027), Melton line (by 2028), Frankston line (by 2029), Sunbury line (2026), Werribee line (2030) <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Airport rail link opening 2029 <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★</p> <p>Metro tunnel opening 2025 <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★</p> <p>Tarneit West station ★</p> <p>Keilor East station <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>New trains ★</p>	<p>Proceed with Suburban Rail Loop - Stage 1 ★</p> <p>Melton - longer V/Line trains <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Boronia station redevelopment <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p>	<p>Cancel SRL <a href="#">[Source]</a> ✗</p> <p>Remove 3 level crossings on the Glen Waverley line <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Cranbourne to Clyde rail extension <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★★</p> <p>Frankston to Baxter duplication and electrification <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★</p> <p>Remove crossing at Diamond Creek <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Beaconsfield station upgrades <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Scoping study for duplication of Mooroolbark-Lilydale and a station in between <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Remove Frankston line crossings; planning works for Madden Grove, Burnley <a href="#">[Source]</a></p> <p>Planning for Metro 2 and the City Loop reconfiguration <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p>	<p>10 minute services for all lines 7am to 7pm, 7 days-a-week, plus better evening services <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★</p> <p>South Yarra station upgrades <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p>

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<b>Trams</b>	<p>New Maidstone depot <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>G-class tram fleet <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Brunswick tram depot upgrade <a href="#">[Source]</a></p>		<p>Tram 48 extension to Doncaster Shoppingtown <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Tram 3 extension to East Malvern Station <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Tram 75 extension to Knox <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Study of further tram 75 extension to Upper Ferntree Gully <a href="#">[Source]</a> ? - <i>Feasibility study into which mode - logically would suggest it has to be the tram for this route.</i></p>	<p>Services at least every 10 minutes from 7am to 7pm, 7 days-a-week, plus better evening services <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★</p>
<b>Metropolitan buses</b>	<p>Doncaster Rapid Busway (part of North East Link) ?</p> <p>Bus route reform consultations ★</p> <p>Frequency improvements on some routes ★</p> <p>Transition to electric buses ★</p>	<p>Bus services for Maddingley <a href="#">[Source]</a> ? - <i>No detail on routes, operating hours, or frequency</i></p>	<p>Express bus service Glen Waverley to Box Hill <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>FlexiRide bus for Sunbury <a href="#">[Source]</a> ? - <i>FlexiRide is limited to low-patronage bus routes, and may be inadequate for a growing suburb</i></p> <p>\$160m for bus upgrades across Victoria <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p>	<p>A grid of high frequency electric buses <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★★</p>
<b>Regional trains</b>	<p>Regional rail upgrades <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Ballarat station upgrades ★</p> <p>Additional services to Warrnambool, Shepparton ★</p>	<p>Additional weekend services for Geelong, Seymour, Gippsland, Bendigo lines. <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>23 additional VLocity carriages <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p>	<p>"Geelong Metro" - more services between Geelong and Colac, Bannockburn and Werribee <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Audit V/Line fleet for accessibility <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p> <p>Business case for Horsham and Hamilton passenger rail <a href="#">[Source]</a> ★</p>	

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<b>Walking and Cycling</b>	St Kilda Road separated bike lanes by 2025 [Source] ★			\$1500-\$5000 “Eco Bonus” for electric bikes [Source] ★  Bicycle superhighways [Source]★
<b>Roads</b>	WestGate Tunnel [Source] ✗✗ North East Link [Source] ✗✗		East West Link [Source] ✗✗ - <i>still a highly destructive expensive project that would result in more car dependency</i>  \$10b of road upgrades and maintenance [Source] ? - <i>Road maintenance is often necessary, but "upgrades" usually means expansion, leading to more traffic</i>  More EV chargers ★  Postpone the EV road user charge [Source] ✗	Speed up transition to electric vehicles; more chargers ★  Scrap the EV road user charge [Source] ✗

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<b>Fares and other issues</b>		<p>Fare cap to metropolitan cost, \$9.20/day. [Source]★ - reform of problematic V/Line fares is very welcome - but they will need to be careful not to undermine the revenue needed to keep investing in services.</p>	<p>Free public transport for nurses [Source] ? - Using this funding for service upgrades would be more useful. Services for shift workers and at suburban hospitals are generally inadequate</p> <p>Cut Melbourne and town bus fares to \$2/day [Source] ✗ - Won't benefit those who most need it - areas with unusable bus services. Also throws away so much funding that fare collection costs would outstrip revenue.</p> <p>V/Line fares cut by half [Source] ★ - a more proportionate fare cut to make V/Line more affordable</p>	<p>Free public transport for under 21s, and \$1095 adult Yearly Pass [Source] ✗ - a deeply discounted Monthly, Quarterly or Yearly Pass, but only for those who can afford the up-front cost, and slashing revenue in the process.</p>
<b>Overall rating</b>		<p><b>Labor: B</b></p> <p>An impressive record on infrastructure, and pushing ahead with the Suburban Rail Loop, which will be transformative. But little to say on service frequency improvements, which are desperately needed.</p>	<p><b>Coalition: B-</b></p> <p>Welcome commitments on train and tram extensions, planning money for Metro 2, and bus improvements also proposed. Their V/Line fare cut makes some sense, but the more drastic proposal for slashing metropolitan fares doesn't help the people most needing service improvements.</p> <p>And they still want the enormously destructive East West Link.</p>	<p><b>Greens: A-</b></p> <p>Pledges on service frequency boosts on trams, trains and buses mean the Greens have strong public transport credentials.</p> <p>This is undermined by wanting to scrap electric car road user charge.</p>

Other party policies worth noting:

- **Reason** - strongly supportive of efficient public transport services, including urgent improvement to train and bus frequency★ [Source]
- **Transport Matters** - supportive of an expanded rail network★, including Suburban Rail Loop with service to Doncaster in Stage 1★. Also support expansion of the Free Tram Zone✗, and Trackless Trams ? [Source]
- **Victorian Socialists** - renationalise public transport ?, turn-up-and-go timetables for trams trains and buses★, make all public transport free✗. [Source]
- **Derryn Hinch's Justice Party** - rail to Mildura [Source] ? - *only 3 trains per week, and at the expense of the Overland, which others in the party want to save* [Source]

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Sources:

- Parliamentary Budget Office election tracker [https://pbo.vic.gov.au/2022\\_election\\_commitment\\_tracker](https://pbo.vic.gov.au/2022_election_commitment_tracker)
- Party websites

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