

SHIFTING THE BURDEN

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PTUA - Lord Mayor Candidate Questions

1. Surveys indicate that of motorised travel into the CBD, 85% is by public transport and 15% by car. Non-motorised travel is also popular, with a sizeable number of people walking or cycling to the city. How do you view the place of the different transport modes, and what will you do as mayor to ensure the CBD maintains its premier role as a travel destination?

Give the whole CBD to bikes and free trams with provision to be made for delivery vehicles.

2. What is your position on the recommendations of the Eddington report - specifically on the \$8 billion eastwest road tunnel and the \$7 billion rail tunnel from Footscray to Caulfield? Is the East-West Link Needs Assessment overall an adequate response to the transport needs of Melbourne?

Total waste of time and resources.

3. Tram travel is an integral part of life in central Melbourne, but our trams suffer more delays than in almost every other city in the world, particularly within the City of Melbourne boundaries. What measures will you help pursue as mayor to reduce tram delays?

Remove cars, trucks, buses from the CBD, except for delivery vehicles.

4. What is your vision for Swanston Street? What do you see as its successes and problems, and what will you do as mayor to build on or address these?

Make Swanston St into a Pedestrian only zone. Install a monument to the indigenous freedom fighters Tunnerminnerwait and Maulboyheenner, executed in Melbourne in 1842.

5. What is your view on the appropriate amount and cost of car parking in the CBD? What actions do you propose in regard to car parking in the municipality?

No car parking except for residents own car parks in the CBD.

6. Given many aspects of transport policy are outside local government control, how do you plan to work with and/or influence the State Government, other local councils, and other stakeholders in support of your vision?

Organise protests by Melbourne's citizens to force the State government to radically alter its transport policies. An engaged and active citizenry is the best way to achieve change. The Mayoral office can become a rallying point for citizen initiated direct action.

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