

- Where will you have protected bike lanes installed in the City of Melbourne during your first term?

If elected I am committed to ensuring there are protected bike lanes installed throughout the city. I will work to upgrade bike lanes in the following areas:

Swanston Street:

The current main north-south route down Swanston Street needs to be improved. I believe the current 'Keep Clear' section along Swanston Street should be better signaled with Green Asphalt bringing it in line with other major cycling routes in the city. This will offer better clarity to pedestrians and cyclists.

Capital City Trail:

Southbank Promenade should have a designated bike lane between the pedestrian area next to businesses and next to the river similar to the section between the Princess Bridge and the Swan Street bridge, this would offer a better solution to this portion of the capital city trail.

La Trobe Street:

This offers the best East-West Link through the CBD for cyclists and there needs to be better protection from motor vehicles such as clear green asphalt delineations.

I also strongly support ensuring that the Queensbury street cycle route is improved and protected. The Spring St route could also use more physical barriers in between the car and bike lane.

- How strongly would you support both docked and dockless share bikes in the City of Melbourne?

Docked bicycles need greater support; I would like to work with providers to find better solutions for complying with helmet laws and gradual redesign of the current clunky models. The BikeShare stations should be located closer to public transport, for example at every train station so they can be incorporated in the public transport grid not sitting parallel to it. I would like to investigate easier payment methods, perhaps current BikeShare schemes could be unlocked with a MYKI. I believe if we improve the current City of Melbourne Bike Share scheme then dockless share bikes will cease to be economically competitive and hopefully reduce the problem of discarded dockless share bikes.

- The 2016-2020 City of Melbourne bike plan wants 25 per cent of vehicles entering the CBD during mornings to be bicycles. How will you make sure this is achieved?

The most important way to encourage cycling is through the creation of more protected bike lanes as well as more bike parking along these routes. I would also encourage the city to find more creative solutions to cyclist and pedestrian separation in places such as Princess Bridge. These could also be commissioned by local artist and offer a creative/aesthetic solution to managing pedestrian/cycle traffic. I would also be very interested in talking to the Bicycle Network on their ideas.

- How often would you use the Mayoral car and would you ride a bike to meetings and appearances?

I currently live within a few blocks of the Town Hall and would have very little use of the Mayoral Car as I can walk to council meetings. I am committed to lowering my carbon footprint and would be committed to using sustainable modes of transport where possible.