

## **Derwent Valley Council Candidate Statements**

## **Heather Chaplin**

I am running as a Greens candidate in the Derwent Valley Council local government election.

If elected, I will put a Motion to DVC that investigation planned for 2025/2026 into local cycle way strategies be prioritised and extended to include advocating to State Roads for cycle pathways along the Lyell Highway between Granton and New Norfolk, New Norfolk to Glenora along Glenora Road, and Gordon River Road between Glenora and Mt Field National Park.

I will advocate for road seal improvements, shoulder widening, lower speeds on local roads, facilities and bike parking at break-stops and end-of-trip locations, recreational trail paths, and the build and maintenance of paths and separated cycleways that link jobs, schools, services and local shops, that can be ridden by people of all ages and abilities.

Emission reduction and building Wellbeing in community are my central reasons for running as a candidate.