

What is your view regarding the current active transport infrastructure in your electorate?

In Prahran there is little to no safe, separated bike infrastructure. There are a number of pedestrian crossings that are unsafe, along with numerous locations where they need to be installed.

St Kilda Road is one of our busiest, but also one of our most dangerous bike routes. I've been fighting for safe, separated bike lanes along St Kilda Road since I was first elected, and I am thrilled that works are finally starting.

Chapel Street is also a busy and dangerous route for bike riders and there is a need for a protected east-west route.

Residents have raised with me safety issues with crossing Punt Rd and St Kilda Rd in numerous locations, as well as Dandenong Rd and other local streets.

Increasing numbers of people are walking or riding around our local community and many more want to do so if they feel safe.. These separated bike lanes will help make riding a bike safe for everyone.

What actions will you take to improve active transport in your electorate?

I've successfully pushed for the construction of separated bike lanes on St Kilda Rd and for the installation of a pedestrian crossing at Yarra Street to serve the busy South Yarra station.

My priorities now are to extend St Kilda Rd bike lanes to Elsternwick, install separated bike lanes on Chapel Street North which connects directly to the Yarra trail, and fix pedestrian crossings across the electorate such as the intersections of Chapel Street and Dandenong Road and Commercial and Punt Roads.

Active transport spending at the state level is less than 2 per cent. In your view, what is a 'fair spend' for active transport?

The Victorian Greens have committed \$2.5 billion dollars over the next four years to implement a 'Big Bike Build' with hundreds of kilometres of safe and separated bike superhighways and more safe pedestrian crossings, upgraded footpaths and walkable neighbourhoods across the state.

With transport as Victoria's biggest growing source of emissions, governments must do more to support people to make the switch to climate-friendly transport like bike riding and walking.

The Greens' plan would move Victoria towards the goal of active transport funding being 10 - 20 per cent of transport capital funding as recommended by the United Nations.

As part of the power sharing government in Ireland, the Greens have increased active transport funding to 20 per cent, while in Scotland they have increased it to 10 per cent and here in Victoria we should be aiming for the same.