

Our Plan to Deliver for Victorians

Reduce Crime ▪ Lower Costs ▪ Government That Works



A Fresh Start for Victoria.

Jess Wilson's LIBERAL VICTORIA

THE NATIONALS for Regional Victoria

Our Contract with Victoria

We commit that Our Plan will deliver:

Less crime in the community

Lower costs, lower taxes and lower government fees and charges

A more transparent and accountable government

More investment in health, education and local infrastructure

A 25% Fair Share Guarantee for regional Victoria

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More about Our Plan to Deliver for Victorians

A Fresh Start.

Victoria today is not the place we know and love.

It's time for solutions, not excuses.

Our Plan will put Victoria back on top, but I need your help.

Fixing Victoria will not be easy, but we are ready to make the disciplined decisions.

Together we can give Victoria a fresh start.

Jess Wilson

JESS WILSON MP
Leader of the Opposition
Victorian Liberal Leader
Shadow Treasurer



A Fresh Start for Victoria.



The First 100 Days of a Victorian Liberal & Nationals Government

We will not waste a moment implementing our commonsense plan to reduce crime, lower costs for families and get government working again.

We are here to actually deliver good government and we're focused on getting started straight away. We don't have a moment to waste, so we're doing all that work now.

Fixing Victoria will not be easy. It will require responsible and disciplined decisions, but every decision we make will be guided by one simple principle: putting Victorians first.

Our team have listened, done the work and are ready.

Our First 100 Days Plan at a glance.

- Begin recruitment of 3,000 additional Victoria Police officers
- Legislate a one strike rule for bail and Adult Crime, Adult Time
- Start eliminating 1 million potholes across the state's road network
- Direct Service Victoria to prepare the $50 weekly road toll cap
- Begin implementation of the 25 per cent Fair Share Guarantee for regional infrastructure
- Commence recruitment of 200 additional PSOs and put them back on train stations
- Scrap VNI West and begin the review of the state's transmission plan
- Declare Victoria back open for business to kickstart our economy

Read our full First 100 Days Plan



How we will deliver Our Plan.

We are ready to make the disciplined decisions.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will deliver Our Plan by working to reduce the debt and end wasteful spending, including:

- **Pursuing the $15 billion funnelled to the CFMEU**, using new 'follow the money' powers and an enhanced Royal Commission into Big Build corruption
- **Stopping the $1 billion** being spent on Labor's divisive Treaty
- **Ending wasteful spending** like $13 million on machete bins and stopping silly contracts like paying millions to hire pot plants in government offices
- **Saving $22 billion** by stopping the hiring of more and more back-office bureaucrats
- **Identifying and fixing infrastructure cost blowouts** in Labor's out of control projects

We will focus on what matters – delivering for Victorians.

Together, we can rebuild this state and restore the promise that Victoria is the best place to build a life and a future.

Public Spending Tracker

We will establish a Public Spending Tracker, so you can see how your taxpayer dollars are being spent.





A Fresh Start for Victoria.



Reduce crime.

"We must reduce crime in our community so Victorians can feel safe again."

Jess Wilson

Keeping Victorians safe.

Victorians deserve to be safe. Safe in our homes, safe on our streets.

Under Labor crime is at record highs:

- every 50 seconds a crime is committed
- every 12 minutes there is a theft from a retail store
- every 27 minutes there is a serious assault
- every week there are 9 carjackings across Victoria
- there are more than 1,300 police vacancies
- more than 40 police stations have closed or have reduced hours

**Source: Crime Statistics Agency*

These statistics aren't just numbers on a page. Behind every crime is a victim who is left traumatised.

Victorians are rightfully worried about their safety at home, businesses face increased break-ins and theft, and parents are anxious that they could be a victim of a carjacking with their children in the back seat.

Victorians expect criminals to face real consequences.

Only by restoring community safety and breaking the cycle of crime can our community thrive once again.

Our Plan to keep Victorians safe.

- Recruit 3,000 more police officers
- Return PSOs to train stations
- Break Bail, Face Jail
- Adult Crime, Adult Time
- Stronger police pursuit powers
- Targeted prevention and intervention programs

Read Our Plan to keep Victorians safe





A stronger police force.

Our police do an incredible job every day. But they need a government that will back them.

Our Plan invests in our police force to retain officers, recruit more police and reopen stations closed by Labor.

We will boost frontline safety by:

- Recruiting 3,000 more police
- Reopening police stations and restoring public access
- Putting police back on the frontline

More police on the beat

Our Plan will put 3,000 more police on the beat by recruiting to fill existing vacancies, and funding an additional 1,500 officers.

We will do this by streamlining recruiting to reduce the time from job offer to appointment and expanding training to boost the pipeline of new officers. We will also recruit officers from other jurisdictions like New Zealand.

And we will invest in improving retention of current officers.

Reopening police stations

We will reopen more than 40 police stations that have been closed or had their hours reduced. This will provide greater access to policing services around the clock.

More police and reopened stations means more visible law enforcement in local communities and more consistent protection for Victorians, regardless of where they live.



More PSOs.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will restore safety across Victoria's public transport network.

We will return Protective Services Officers (PSOs) to train stations.

Independent Crime Statistics Agency data shows crimes against people at train stations have risen by 59% between 2021 and 2026.

Despite this, the Labor government has stripped permanent PSOs from 119 stations across Melbourne.

Our Plan ensures a visible safety presence, reduces crime, and provides greater certainty and reassurance for commuters and local communities.

We will:

- Recruit 270 additional PSOs
- Return PSOs to all 119 stations where they have been removed
- Work with Victoria Police to deploy PSOs to high-risk shopping centres and precincts

Victoria's retail crime crisis

Retail crime has exploded across Victoria, with more than 95,000 offences recorded in the past year and machete-related violence has become disturbingly common in major shopping centres.

To tackle this dangerous behaviour and help keep workers and shoppers safe, our team will introduce strengthened Workplace Protection Orders (WPO) to ban violent and abusive offenders from shopping precincts.

We will also establish a new dedicated digital platform through Victoria Police to enable workers and employers to more easily report incidents, upload evidence and apply for a WPO.

PSO strike teams

PSO strike teams will patrol high-risk shopping centres and precincts, delivering a visible safety presence. An additional 200 PSOs will be empowered to detect and remove knives and machetes before they are used.

Our Plan guarantees no PSOs will be removed from train stations.

The strike teams will send a clear message to offenders: weapons, intimidation and violence will not be tolerated.



Real consequences for criminal behaviour.

We will close loopholes, end exemptions, and introduce a one-strike rule to stop repeat offending and restore real consequences for criminal behaviour.

Under the Liberals and Nationals' Break Bail, Face Jail plan, bail laws will be strengthened to put victims ahead of criminals. If you break bail, you will face jail.

Our Plan will ensure that sentencing reflects the crime and convicted criminals serve their time.

Break Bail, Face Jail

A Liberal and Nationals Government will end Labor's revolving door bail system by:

- Introducing a one-strike rule for the expanded list of 25 offences captured under our strengthened Adult Crime, Adult Time policy, so that repeat offending while on bail automatically results in refused bail for both youth and adult offenders
- Uplifting bail applications for these 25 offences to the County Court, aligning bail decisions with where these matters are ultimately heard
- Upgrading the breach of bail offence from Summary to Schedule 2 offences, requiring offenders to demonstrate compelling reasons to be granted bail
- Removing the youth exemption for breach of bail conditions, so that repeat youth offenders face exactly the same consequences as adults

Adult Crime, Adult Time

We will expand adult sentencing provisions to cover a broader range of 25 serious offences including arson, home invasion, carjacking, burglary and serious assault.

We will commit to a further staged expansion, where needed, by progressively incorporating additional offences from the list of crimes currently captured under effective Queensland legislation (where relevant to Victoria).

A new Court of Criminal Appeal

A lack of consistency in sentencing in Victoria has contributed to a broken justice system under Labor.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will restore consistency and balance by creating a specialist Court of Criminal Appeal to build consistent consequences for serious criminal offending in Victoria.

No more jail discounts

Under Labor, prisoners have received unjustifiable sentence reductions because of lockdowns, industrial disputes and a range of other disruptions through Labor's Emergency Management Days (EMD) regime.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will end Labor's EMD approach and ensure prisoners serve their full sentences – no discounts.

Prevention and intervention.

Tackling crime also means tackling the causes of crime.

As part of Our Plan to reduce crime in Victoria, a Liberal and Nationals Government will invest in early intervention and crime prevention programs.

We will:

- Invest $100 million in early intervention and rehabilitation
- Support proven programs like Youth Activating Youth, working with Victoria Police

Our Restart program will be a Victorian-first residential responsibility and discipline program targeting serious, repeat offenders aged 12 to 17.

This live-in initiative will provide a pathway out of crime through intensive discipline, education, counselling and community support.

Our Youthstart initiative will invest in proven community-based interventions such as Youth Justice Hubs, risk-based diversion, trauma-informed therapy, mentoring, and family-based case management.

This is a balanced plan - but it starts with a simple principle:

Community safety comes first.

Prevention that works. Real consequences where needed.



Tackling family violence.

Victoria needs a system that stops abusive behaviour before it escalates into physical violence.

Police-recorded family violence incidents continue to increase under Labor, reaching over 100,000 incidents in 2024-25.

Our Plan will introduce Right to Ask, Right to Know laws so women have the right to ask and the right to know if their partner has a history of domestic violence

Right to Ask, Right to Know

We believe at-risk women and men have the right to ask and the right to know if their partner has a history of domestic violence.

That's why we will introduce "Right to Ask, Right to Know" laws, creating a mechanism that allows people to find out if their partner has a known history of domestic abuse.

Based on "Clare's Law" from the UK, it creates a "right to ask" police about someone they believe may pose a risk, and a "right to know" mechanism that lets police disclose information where they judge someone to be at risk.

Overdue reforms

Labor have had 12 years to legislate a "Right to Ask, Right to Know" framework. They have failed to act.

Only a Liberal and Nationals Government can be trusted to take these critical steps to help combat and prevent family violence across Victoria.







Lower costs.

"A strong economy with fewer taxes means lower costs for Victorian households, businesses and families."

Jess Wilson

Securing Victoria's economic future.

Victoria is a great state. But right now, too many Victorians feel like the system is working against them.

After a decade of Labor mismanagement, our state is carrying nearly $200 billion in debt, leaving taxpayers paying $1 million an hour in interest.

Families are paying more, businesses are struggling, and confidence is falling.

Our Ten Year Economic Plan is about restoring that confidence.

It is about fixing the budget so we can make life easier, grow our economy and bring down the cost of living.

We will be disciplined. We will be honest. And we will focus on what matters – delivering for Victorians.

Together, we can rebuild this state and restore the promise that Victoria is the best place to build a life.

Our Ten Year Economic Plan at a glance.

- Deliver cost of living relief
- Drive investment and jobs
- Make Victoria the best place to do business
- Restore energy security and reduce costs
- Exempt first home buyers from stamp duty up to $1 million
- Unlock housing supply and reform planning
- Balance the books by 2032
- Freeze hiring of back office roles to guarantee essential services
- Reduce the debt and interest burden

Read Our Plan to secure Victoria's economic future





Lower Costs.

Our Promise

A Liberal and Nationals Government will guarantee no new or increased taxes.

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JESS WILSON MP
Victorian Liberal Leader



A Fresh Start for Victoria.

Lowering your costs.

Victorians continue to face significant cost of living pressures.

But in the middle of a cost of living crisis, **Labor has introduced more than 70 new or increased taxes and charges**, hitting everyday households and businesses.

We are paying more because Labor has wasted $15 billion on Big Build corruption, and taxpayers have been used as an ATM with no limit, while taxes, fees, charges and levies have all increased.

We have a different approach that will deliver lower costs for Victorians.

Scrap the emergency services tax

A Liberal and Nationals Government will scrap the emergency services tax which is a tax on every single family home, business and farm in the state.

This will immediately reduce costs for Victorian families and take pressure off local businesses so they can grow.

Stamp duty

We will exempt first home buyers from stamp duty on properties valued up to $1 million.

Scrapping stamp duty for first home buyers is about supporting young Victorians and restoring the dream of home ownership.

Lower land tax

Since 2014, land tax has more than quadrupled and every extra dollar raised is pushing up rents, home prices and the cost of investing in new housing stock.

We will reverse Labor's land tax hikes lifting the land tax threshold from the current level of $50,000 back to the old level of $300,000 over a five year period, saving 280,000 Victorians up to $975 a year.

Scrap the schools tax

We will scrap Labor's schools tax that undermines education choice and opportunity and costs Victorian parents.

No Victorian government or non-government school will pay payroll tax under our commitment.

Scrap the GP tax

Our Plan will make it cheaper for Victorians to go to the GP by abolishing Labor's regressive GP tax.

This will reduce the cost of seeing a doctor and reduce pressure on our emergency departments.

A $50 per week road toll cap

We will put a cap on road tolls so that Victorian families, tradies and small businesses will pay no more than $50 a week in tolls for two years from 1 July 2027.

The toll cap will apply to cars, light commercial vehicles and small business fleets of up to five vehicles.

Removing taxes and lowering costs will ease the pressure on households and small businesses.

Supporting Victorian businesses.

Supporting Victorian businesses will grow the economy and put downward pressure on prices.

We will restore the budget and end Labor's wasteful spending to help our economy recover and make Victoria the best place to do business.

This will unlock private investment, drive jobs growth and rebuild confidence in Victoria.

Our Plan will:

- Deliver payroll tax relief for businesses
- Reduce the burden of land tax
- Reduce red tape and compliance costs
- Drive investment and jobs

This will restore economic stability, reduce regulatory burdens and boost Victoria's competitiveness.

Repairing the state budget is a priority and will ensure public funds are directed toward essential services and long term economic growth, making it easier for businesses to hire staff and grow.

Lowering costs for businesses

We believe Victoria must be the easiest and most competitive place in Australia to start and grow a business. Because private investment, not government spending, drives long term growth.

We will reduce costs for businesses, including by delivering payroll tax relief for 23,000 Victorian businesses.

Supporting small businesses

We will simplify key small business regulations to make doing business easier, including consistent site management rules for tradies and simplified permits for cafés, restaurants, and bars.

And we will make Service Victoria a one-stop-shop so small businesses don't have to spend time trying to navigate multiple agencies, forms and websites.

We will also introduce a Business Approvals Concierge, providing a single statewide point of contact to coordinate approvals, resolve delays and settle conflicting advice businesses receive from different arms of government.

Growing Victoria's exports

By growing Victoria's exports, we can grow our economy to support businesses and reduce costs.

We will grow Victoria's goods and services exports by identifying high-growth sectors, diversifying trade markets, strengthening export capability, and addressing skilled labour shortages.

"If elected Premier, I will declare Victoria back open for business on 29 November."

Jess Wilson

Backing Tradies and Apprentices

We will back Victorian tradies, from plumbers to hairdressers, sparkies and chefs, and invest in apprentices for the future.

Our Plan will:

- Reintroduce proper technical colleges
- Create an Accelerating Apprenticeships Fund
- Cap road tolls at $50 per week

Capping road tolls

Road tolls have become a significant cost for Victorian tradies and small businesses.

That's why our $50 weekly toll cap will include light commercial vehicles and small business fleets of up to five vehicles. And it will provide particular relief for tradies who rely on utes and light commercial vehicles to travel between jobs and currently pay higher tolls.

Proper Technical Colleges

We will reintroduce proper Technical Colleges in Victoria, delivering 10 dedicated secondary colleges across metropolitan and regional Victoria for up to 5,000 students each year.

Under our proper Technical College model, students in Years 10–12 will be fully enrolled with dedicated tech college teachers, providing free, industry-focused education and training from Years 10–12.

Students will graduate with a VCE certificate while gaining practical, job-ready qualifications and real experience to move directly into employment.

Accelerating Apprenticeships Fund

We will back young Victorians and support businesses to hire more apprentices to address the critical skills shortages.

Our Plan will cover half the off-the-job training costs for apprentices in trades listed on the Australian Apprenticeships Priority List, reducing the costs currently paid by employers, giving more young Victorians a pathway into a good job and helping get our economy moving again.



"We need tradies to rebuild Victoria and there will be plenty of work to do."

More homes for Victorians.

Housing supply and affordability remain major challenges in Victoria. For too long not enough has been done to increase housing availability and reduce barriers to development.

Our Plan will:

- Fast-track home building in existing, identified growth areas
- Restore local planning control and scrap Labor's high-rise activity centres in the suburbs
- Expand the Capital City Zone into targeted parts of the inner city surrounding the CBD
- Stop cultural heritage delays
- Support regional councils to enable new regional housing developments

And we will abolish stamp duty for first home buyers on properties up to $1 million, reducing upfront costs and improving access to home ownership.



Fast-tracking home building

Labor's focus on in-fill development in existing suburbs has left new growth areas neglected.

This has reduced access to family homes and affordable land, limited housing choice and pushed up prices by artificially restricting the supply of serviced lots.

The Precinct Structure Plan (PSP) system is defined by delay, fragmentation and excessive regulation. Precincts are currently taking up to a decade to progress, with some commencement timelines stretching into the late 2030s.

Our Plan will fast-track home building in existing, identified growth areas by setting clear end dates from commencement for all PSPs and introducing industry-led PSPs to speed up land release and increase housing supply.

And we will ensure Growth Areas Infrastructure Contribution (GAIC) revenue is spent on infrastructure in the communities from which it is collected and allow it to be directed to earlier delivery of roads, schools, utilities and community facilities.

Restore local planning control

A Liberal and Nationals Government will restore local planning control and return decision-making to local communities.

And we will scrap Labor's high-rise activity centres that sideline local residents from planning decisions and that force

one-size-fits-all housing options on communities across Melbourne.

Expand the Capital City Zone

Demand for inner-urban living from young professionals, downsizers, students and small households remains strong.

But supply has not kept pace. Only 1,400 new apartments were completed in the inner city in 2024.

Our Plan will expand the Capital City Zone into targeted parts of the inner city surrounding the CBD to enable additional, well-connected housing growth.

The Capital City Zone expansion will build on the principles of certainty, streamlined approvals and mixed-use flexibility and enable residential growth in inner-city areas already serviced by public transport and strong connectivity.

Stop cultural heritage delays

Uncertainty of timeframes and costs through Victoria's cultural heritage process, as well as delays within government authorities, are stalling development and ultimately seeing fewer new homes built.

To get more homes built sooner and give every Victorian the best opportunity to own their own home, we will establish clear timelines and costs for cultural heritage processes, with a Schedule of Fees to be released annually.

Our Plan will also mandate approval timeframes for cultural heritage decisions where undefined timeframes exist and commit to an annual, published audit of cultural heritage approvals linked to housing development.

And we will establish clear timelines and costs, and institute annual performance audits for Melbourne Water in its approval authority role.

Build new homes in our regional centres

A Liberal and Nationals Government will support housing growth across regional Victoria by working directly with each regional council to identify local opportunities, infrastructure requirements and delivery pathways.

Growth must be locally supported, community-led and genuinely achievable, delivered at a rate that is sustainable and meets the needs of regional communities and the regional centres of Geelong, Bendigo and Ballarat.

Across regional Victoria, there are outstanding and unprogrammed PSPs with the potential to unlock up to 50,000 new homes. We will work with each council to ensure the right settings are in place to unlock housing supply, particularly where there is existing planning work ready to proceed.

Our Plan will offer more housing options to give every Victorian the best opportunity to own their own home.

Affordable and reliable energy.

Affordable and reliable energy is fundamental to Victoria's future. From businesses to households, Victorians need and deserve an energy system that works.

As our energy system continues towards renewable sources we must ensure we maintain reliability for households and businesses.

Our Plan will manage the transition responsibly.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will:

- Strengthen the energy network
- Establish an Energy Security Requirement for Victoria
- Improve grid reliability
- Deliver Victorian gas for Victorians

An Energy Security Requirement for Victoria

We will establish an Energy Security Requirement for Victoria to address the forecast energy shortfall and ensure reliable and affordable power.

The Requirement will identify commercial proposals for projects that can deliver energy security, without preferencing or excluding particular sources of energy – it will be technology agnostic.

We will support the most efficient, affordable and reliable energy sources to meet our Energy Security Requirement, focusing on delivering low cost outcomes for Victorian households and businesses, especially through more firming capacity for our energy grid.



"We will throw open the door for gas exploration, ensuring reliable gas supply for Victoria."

Energy choice for Victorians

We will ease cost of living pressure and restore energy choice by scrapping Labor's ban on gas appliances in new homes, addressing concerns about consumer choice and system capacity.

Because Victorians should be the ones who choose which appliances best meet their needs in their homes, not government.

Victorian gas for Victorians

Natural gas has been demonised by Labor for a decade.

Only the Liberals and Nationals will back Victorian gas for Victorians.

Our Plan will throw open the door for gas exploration, ensuring reliable gas supply for Victoria.

And it will support manufacturing, while helping our gas industry to create more local jobs and grow our economy.

Urban Solar Parks

The Liberals and Nationals will establish new Urban Solar Parks to encourage solar and battery installations on commercial and industrial rooftops in urban areas, to generate renewable power closer to where it is needed.

Energy experts say this could supply as much as 25% of demand and reduce the need for transmission lines on our productive farmland.

Our Plan is for a balanced, reliable and affordable energy system.




A Fresh Start for Victoria.



Government that works.

"Victorians deserve a government that works for them day in, day out. And that is my commitment to you."

Jess Wilson

Delivering better government.

Victorians deserve a government that respects their money.

We will be open and transparent and manage your money responsibly, strengthening oversight and ensuring government operations are open and accountable.

Our Plan will deliver:

- **A legislated Charter of Budget Honesty** requiring governments to deliver clear, accurate financial reports to restore trust in government
- **A public spending tracker** to allow Victorians to see how taxpayer money is being spent, improving transparency and enabling the public to monitor major projects and departmental budgets
- **An enhanced Royal Commission into CFMEU misconduct**, investigating allegations of corruption and unlawful behaviour within the construction sector
- **A Victorian-first Intergenerational Report** to provide a long-term view of our economic health

These measures will reinforce integrity and accountability in government and help restore the community's trust.

We will always work for Victorians, not against them.



Getting the basics right.

Good government gets the basics right - service delivery, maintenance of public infrastructure and essential public functions.

But Labor in Victoria has failed to deliver even the basics. Overgrown roadsides and graffiti in our streets make it hard to be proud of where we live.

Our Plan will improve reliability of everyday services, public spaces and systems.

Under a Liberal and Nationals Government, we will:

- Keep our cities and towns clean
- Ensure routine maintenance gets done, like mowing roadsides
- Clean graffiti from buildings, train stations and schools
- Boost roadside maintenance such as grass slashing, graffiti removal and drain clearance

"We will be a government that gets the basics right, to restore pride in our great state."

Ensuring these tasks are carried out consistently improves the quality of public environments and ensures government works for Victorians.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will deliver the basics for practical improvements that make life easier.



Cleaning up corruption.

For more than a decade, Labor's corruption has made government worksites a playground for organised crime.

Their dodgy deals have made bikies rich, pushed up the cost of construction, and made it more expensive to build new homes.

This must stop. But without new laws and a change of government, Victorians will keep getting ripped off every single day.

That's why, with your help, we will clean up crime and corruption in Victoria.

Our Plan will:

- **Enforce the law** – corruption has consequences. We will ban bikies from worksites and put corrupt union officials behind bars
- **Find the money** – we will shine a spotlight on the deals and open the books to find where your money is really going
- **Stop the rorts** – we will return construction to what's in the public interest, not what's in the CFMEU's interest

Enforce the law

Under Our Plan, anyone with known links to organised crime will be banned from gaining employment on Victorian major construction projects.

We will require mandatory criminal history background checks on government projects with better information sharing provisions with Victoria Police.

And we will establish Construction Enforcement Victoria, an independent watchdog with real teeth to get tough on the rorts and prosecute crimes, with a Victorian Code of Practice for the Building and Construction Industry to set clear standards for behaviour on all taxpayer-funded construction sites.



Find the money

We will immediately set up a special taskforce within Victoria Police, working in collaboration with the Australian Federal Police and the ATO, to seize assets relating to the criminality and fraud identified in the Watson Report on the CFMEU.

Our Plan will introduce US-style racketeering laws to target crime bosses and criminal organisations, allowing anyone who commits two or more qualifying offences—such as extortion, fraud, bribery or money laundering—within 10 years to face racketeering charges where those offences form part of a pattern linked to a criminal enterprise.

Stop the rorts

At least $15 billion in taxpayer money has been wasted or ripped off. That's more than $5,000 per household, money that should have gone into roads, hospitals and jobs – not to criminals and bikie gangs.

That's why we will deliver an enhanced Royal Commission into serious misconduct linked to the CFMEU.

The Royal Commission will expose how deep the rorts go, where the money ended up, and who knew what and when inside the Labor government.

It will also look at how to stop this kind of dodgy behaviour from happening again.



Only a Liberal and Nationals Government will clean up the mess. A Royal Commission and a tough new construction watchdog are needed to stop the rorts, protect workers, and make sure taxpayer money is spent the right way.

We will return construction to what's in the public interest, not what's in the CFMEU's interest.

Read Our Plan to Clean up Crime and Corruption



Investing in roads and transport.

Investment in Victoria's road and transport network has been neglected under Labor.

Road maintenance is falling behind and repairs often aren't done properly, costing Victorians time and money.

We will make Victoria's transport network work for you by:

- Investing $5 billion to rebuild, repair and resurface roads
- Eliminating one million potholes across our road network
- Building new and upgraded roads to reduce congestion

Fixing our roads - properly

Victoria's roads have deteriorated due to Labor's neglect and lack of investment.

That's why Our Plan will invest $5 billion to rebuild, repair and resurface roads across Victoria, and do it properly.

This will include preventative road maintenance to stop potholes developing, eliminating one million existing potholes, fixing dangerous hazards and reducing the road maintenance backlog.

We will establish Better Roads Victoria as a new agency, rebuilding the technical and engineering expertise lost when Labor abandoned VicRoads and axed Regional Roads Victoria.

Improving road conditions will reduce vehicle damage, saving you money, and will improve safety and travel times.

Delivering the roads you deserve

We will also build new roads and upgrade existing roads to reduce congestion, save time in traffic and get you where you're going faster, including:

- **Donnybrook Road Duplication -** Duplicate the entire 8 km from Epping Rd, Woodstock to Dwyer St, Kalkallo, cutting travel times and congestion for one of Victoria's fastest growing areas
- **Murray Valley Highway / Kiewa Valley Highway** – A new roundabout to reduce congestion, improve safety and support better access to Wodonga



- **Thompsons Road extension** – Extend and duplicate between Berwick-Cranbourne Rd, Clyde North and Alexander Blvd and Cardinia Rd, Officer South
- **Swan Hill Bridge replacement** – Replace the 130 year old Swan Hill bridge connecting Swan Hill to Murray Downs, improving traffic flow, freight and logistics and community safety
- **Vineyard Road** – Duplicate the Vineyard Rd overpass over the Calder Freeway to better meet the needs of the growing Sunbury region
- **Kilmore Bypass** – Planning and design of the Kilmore Bypass to divert through-traffic from the Northern Highway away from Kilmore's town centre
- **Phillip Island Road** – Road safety upgrades in San Remo, including installation of traffic signals, road widening and creation of median strips
- **Shepparton Second River Crossing** – Complete planning, design and early works to progress a second Goulburn River crossing between Shepparton and Mooroopna
- **Bellarine Link Stage 1** – Build the first stage of the new Bellarine Link between the Surf Coast Highway and Barwon Heads Road.

Improving transport to reduce wear and tear

By improving public transport, Our Plan will take traffic off our roads, reducing the wear and tear that is costing Victorians.

We will deliver 25 new hybrid electric trains for the Melton and Wyndham Vale lines - finally delivering suburban rail services for these communities.

Our Plan includes additional and potential City Loop services every hour during peaks on the Melton and Wyndham Vale lines, more than doubling passenger capacity.

Importantly, this investment delivers electrified services sooner, without precluding electrification of these lines upon completion of upgrades to Sunshine station.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will also undertake a comprehensive review of Victoria's bus network to ensure public transport services better reflect how and where people travel today.

Our review will focus on improving frequency, operating hours and connectivity, with the goal of delivering more reliable and convenient services across metropolitan and regional Victoria.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will repair and rebuild our roads properly.

Listening to regional communities.

For too long Labor has run roughshod over regional Victorians to pursue its own agenda regardless of the consequences.

They turned to harsh legislative changes, such as fines for farmers refusing access to their own land, and compulsory acquisition of land even before planning and environmental studies have been undertaken.

Repeal Labor's compulsory land acquisition laws

We will repeal Labor's new laws that allow farmland to be compulsorily acquired for transmission line projects before environmental and planning approvals, including Environmental Effects Statements (EES), are complete.

This will protect farmers' rights, restore fairness, and ensure regional Victorians have a proper voice in decisions affecting their land and livelihoods.

VNI West

Under Our Plan, VNI West will be scrapped.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will not waste billions on the VNI West project that will not help keep the lights on.

We will not force regional communities and farming families to bear the cost of poor decisions that damage Victoria's economic and agricultural output.

This project does not have social licence and the projected cost is already many billions over initial estimates - costs which would be added to the energy bills of every Victorian household and small business.

Western Renewables Link

Like VNI West, Western Renewables Link is a project without social licence.

Under Our Plan, fundamental changes will be required for WRL to proceed - if it ever does proceed.

We will undertake a rigorous review of the project and its impact on farmers, regional communities and household energy bills.

Reinstate VCAT appeals

We will restore the right of affected landholders to appeal major planning and infrastructure decisions to VCAT. Labor's laws have stripped landholders of this right, and we will overturn that decision.

This will ensure landholders and regional communities are not shut out of decisions that directly impact their land and livelihoods, restoring a fair, independent avenue of review – an effective "third umpire" – when major projects are imposed on them.

Restore a 2km buffer for wind turbines

Sensible 2km buffer zones will be brought back so wind turbines cannot be built close to people's homes.

This will ensure regional communities are properly protected from the negative impacts of large-scale renewable infrastructure, while providing clearer and fairer planning rules for landholders and developers.

Government that works.

A Fair Share Guarantee for regional Victorians.

Our Fair Share Guarantee means the 25% of Victorians who live in regional Victoria will get a minimum of 25% of infrastructure spending allocated to them. It's what's right, and it's what they deserve.

Our Plan delivers regional Victorians their fair share.

The Fair Share Guarantee will help:

- Improve road quality on regional highways
- Upgrade classrooms in regional schools
- Build new health facilities and regional hospitals
- Deliver better quality services in regional hubs
- Upgrade sporting facilities for regional clubs
- Close the divide between regional and urban investment in Victoria

"Right now, Labor is allocating just 12% to regional Victoria.

It's time regional Victoria got its fair share."

DANNY O'BRIEN MP
Leader of The Nationals



A Fresh Start for Victoria.

Investing in the regions.

Under 12 years of Labor, our regions have been neglected. It's time for that to change.

Only a Liberal and Nationals Government will stand up for our regional communities and ensure they get their fair share.

Agriculture

Our farmers need less red tape, stronger protection, and better access to markets to keep Victoria competitive.

We will:

- Cut red tape to reduce the regulatory burden on farmers and producers
- Protect biosecurity with stronger safeguards against pests and disease
- Grow regional exports by boosting trade, logistics, and value adding industries

We will conduct audits of Victoria's agricultural land to identify and protect the state's best farming country.

This will ensure prime dairy, cropping and grazing land is not unnecessarily lost, fragmented or compromised by poorly planned development, including transmission line projects and other large-scale infrastructure.

The aim is to safeguard productive farmland for future generations and strengthen long-term food security.

Investing in regional roads

Regional Victorians rely on local roads and bridges every day to get home, to school, to work and to the shops. But too many local roads across country Victoria have been neglected.

Labor abolished the Country Roads and Bridges Program, leaving rural and regional councils without the funding they need to maintain local infrastructure.

In addition to investing $5 billion to rebuild, repair and resurface roads, a Liberal and Nationals Government will invest $288 million to restore the Country Roads and Bridges Program.

Each of Victoria's 48 rural and regional councils will receive $1.5 million every year for four years to upgrade the local roads and bridges their communities rely on.

We will also upgrade and build critical road infrastructure in regional Victoria including:

- Murray Valley Highway / Kiewa Valley Highway – new roundabout



- Swan Hill Bridge replacement
- Kilmore Bypass (planning and design)
- Phillip Island Road
- Shepparton Second River Crossing (planning, design and early works)
- Bellarine Link (Stage 1)
- Western Highway duplication between Buangor and Ararat

Investing in regional trains

Regional communities deserve more frequent and reliable transport options.

Under Our Plan an additional 25 three-car V/Line carriages will be freed up for regional Victoria, boosting capacity, helping reduce crowding and keeping regional communities better connected.

Additional capacity will be shared across the regions and include network reserve with a V'Locity set retained to deploy as required across the network.

We will also deliver a Wimmera Mallee Rail Plan to restore regular passenger rail services across western and north-western Victoria – improving connectivity and growing access to jobs, education, healthcare and services.

Passenger rail services will operate three times per week between Mildura and Melbourne – connecting with the V/Line network at Maryborough. We will also introduce three times a week passenger services between Dimboola and Melbourne – supporting Victorians in Dimboola, Horsham and Stawell.

Supporting our CFA

We will increase support to the Country Fire Authority by upgrading CFA stations, delivering up to 100 new trucks each year to renew the CFA fleet and end single-cab tankers, and recruiting 10,000 new volunteers.

By investing in this essential service we are investing in the heart of our regional communities.

We will deliver regional Victoria its fair share.



A health system you can rely on.

Our state's health system faces challenges including workforce shortages, long wait times, and increasing demand for emergency and specialist services.

Victorians deserve a health system they can rely on, so they know they can get the help they need when they need it most.

Our Plan will:

- Invest to retain our doctors and nurses
- Deliver new and upgraded hospitals
- Fix ambulance response times
- Reduce emergency department waiting lists
- Fast track elective surgeries
- Improve hospital safety

Fix ambulance response times

Our Plan includes putting experienced paramedics into the Triple Zero call-taking process to improve dispatch decisions and ensure a focus on priority responses.



We will also build new ambulance stations, including at Armstrong Creek, Mansfield and Donnybrook.

Supporting our doctors and nurses

Retaining doctors and nurses is a major priority – that's why we will work to reduce burnout in our health workforce so that we aren't losing our skilled professionals.

We will support our health workers, by reducing wait times to take the pressure off hospitals and emergency departments. And we will provide targeted attraction and retention incentives for regional doctors, nurses and health workers.

Safer hospitals

Doctors, nurses and patients should not be confronted with violence every day in our hospitals.

We will improve safety at hospitals to reduce assaults on our health workers by deploying 70 Protective Services Officers across 7 major hospitals.

These additional officers will provide around-the-clock security at major hospitals as part of Our Plan.

Reducing wait times

Our Plan includes improving emergency department wait times, funding additional inpatient beds, and publishing real time ED waiting and capacity information to support a focus on critical and life threatening conditions.

We will reduce ED wait times by freeing up inpatient beds at the most under

pressure hospitals by investing in up to 10 new or expanded patient transit lounges – where patients ready to leave hospital can wait for medication, transport and final discharge arrangements without taking up inpatient beds.

SurgerySooner

We will fast track elective surgeries that have blown out under Labor, by partnering with private hospitals to deliver elective surgeries to reduce wait times at no extra cost to Victorian patients.

Based on a successful Queensland program, our SurgerySooner plan will deliver 25,000 extra elective surgeries each year working with private surgical hospitals and day surgeries across Victoria.

To meet population growth, new and upgraded hospitals will expand capacity, and by fixing ambulance response times and surgery backlogs we will ensure timely treatment for patients.

Proton beam cancer therapy

Despite years of announcements and planning, Australia still does not have an operational proton beam therapy service – critical for targeting radiation on complex cancers with minimal long-term side effects or healthy tissue damage.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will end this failure and support the establishment of Australia's first proton beam therapy service at Victoria's world leading Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre so Victoria will remain at the forefront of medical research and treatment – and Victorian families will no longer have to travel overseas for this essential treatment.

Support for carers and people with a disability

We will back Victoria's unpaid carers and the people they care for. We will ease the cost of caring, deliver support closer to home and give carers a real say in the services they rely on.



Investing in regional healthcare.

Regional communities deserve hospitals and health facilities that are fit for purpose and that provide access to world class healthcare.

Investing in regional hospitals

As part of our Fair Share Guarantee, we will upgrade hospitals across Victoria's regions, including:

- **Mildura Base Public Hospital Expansion** – including more ED beds, a Medical Assessment and Planning Unit, and a new 30-bed acute ward
- **New West Gippsland Hospital** – delivery of a new hospital, including a 33-bed emergency department, modern training facilities
- **Wonthaggi Hospital Stage 2 and 3 Redevelopment** – including additional beds, expanded maternity services, new outpatient facilities and completion of the radiology precinct
- **Hamilton Base Hospital Upgrade** – delivering a new ED and a refurbished intensive care unit
- **Rosebud Hospital Rebuild** – including doubling bed capacity and reducing wait times through an expanded ED
- **Albury Wodonga Full Redevelopment** – including delivering 50 additional beds, parking, and Youth Acute Mental Health beds
- **Goulburn Valley Health Integrated Cancer Centre Stage 2** – including a single world-class cancer services location and onsite radiotherapy
- **Colac Urgent Care Department Expansion** – delivering modern, fit-for-purpose facilities including an expanded waiting room and new cubicles.
- **Bairnsdale Hospital** – including a new ED to more than double the number of treatment spaces

Regional health workforce

Under Our Plan, eligible doctors, nurses, midwives and allied health professionals will be offered incentives of up to $10,000 a year to fill critical jobs in rural and regional Victoria.

We will establish the Victorian Rural Health Workforce Incentive Scheme, helping regional hospitals attract and keep the health workers they need, and where suitable, accommodation for health workers will be incorporated into new regional hospital developments.

We will deliver regional Victoria its fair share.



Addressing Mental Health.

Victoria deserves a mental health system that delivers timely care, strong local services and the support people need before they reach crisis point.

Mental health

The Liberals and Nationals will get mental health reform back on track. By restoring accountability, auditing mental health levy expenditure and strengthening early intervention and service delivery, we will rebuild Victoria's mental health system.

This includes $63.5 million invested into local communities to expand early intervention, build community capability and reduce pressure on acute services as part of our Mental Health Early Access Plan.

As part of this plan we will also invest almost $70 million in proven statewide support services, strengthening crisis support, suicide prevention, youth mental health, counselling for children and families, parent support, and community-based mental health education to ensure more Victorians receive help earlier, closer to home.

Youth Mental Health

While younger Victorians will benefit from these investments, to meet their specific needs Our Plan will:

- Invest $5 million to deliver the masterplan for a standalone youth mental health facility at Parkville, with up to 50 specialist youth inpatient beds for Victorians aged 12 to 25.
- Establish a new Youth Mental Health Centre of Excellence – in partnership with Orygen – to drive coordinated youth mental health and suicide prevention efforts across the state.

System reform

Importantly we will ensure maximum benefit from these investments by delivering a mental health reform agenda in Victoria including:

- Independently reviewing implementation of the Royal Commission recommendations
- Auditing mental health reform expenditure and the Mental Health and Wellbeing Levy
- A new Mental Health Workforce Strategy in our first 100 days
- Strengthening the Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission
- Publishing a Mental Health Reform Blueprint

To drive this investment we will also establish a $50 million Targeted Mental Health Workforce Fund as part of a new Mental Health Workforce Strategy within our first 100 days.

We will strengthen Victoria's health system and improve access to high quality care.

Backing our students.

Our kids deserve the very best start in life – and a government that backs them to achieve their best.

Under Labor, one in four kids are failing to meet NAPLAN proficiency benchmarks in reading, writing and maths.

Our Plan will support teachers, improve school infrastructure, and strengthen vocational pathways.

We will:

- Establish a Literacy and Numeracy Guarantee with a long term goal of 90% proficiency under NAPLAN
- Support our teachers in their vital work
- Tackle classroom behaviour so students and teachers can focus on learning
- Review and improve our school curriculum

Our Literacy and Numeracy Guarantee

Reading, writing and numeracy are the foundations of a great education and a great life. But too many students are falling behind in these key areas.

Our Plan starts by backing every Victorian student to reach their full potential by modernising learning, decluttering the curriculum and backing teachers with professional learning.

Our Literacy and Numeracy Guarantee includes an interim target of a 15% increase in the number of kids deemed proficient in literacy and numeracy under NAPLAN, a goal that goes above and beyond existing targets.

Because our kids deserve a government that strives for excellence, not one that settles for the minimum.



Supporting our students and teachers

To support our teachers to deliver better outcomes for students and achieve our Literacy and Numeracy Guarantee, we will expand professional learning opportunities for teachers.

And we will review Victoria's curriculum to better prepare students for life while reducing workloads on teachers.

We will also work to identify neuro-diversity in students that impacts their learning and classroom behaviour, so we can get the best outcome for those students and their classmates while supporting their teachers.

Tackling classroom behaviour

We know that classroom behaviour management is crucial, because all students should have the opportunity to focus and learn.

We also know it has flow-on effects for teacher retention and wellbeing.

That's why we will introduce reforms to address classroom behaviour and not leave it in the too-hard basket like Labor.

Select entry schools

Every Victorian student deserves the opportunity to reach their full potential. But Victoria currently has just four fully selective government high schools, leaving too many high-achieving students without access to a select-entry place.

We will build three new select-entry high schools in Melbourne's outer west, north and south-east, in areas where population growth and demand are high. The schools will be targeted to open before 2030.

We will also expand selective and accelerated learning opportunities in six existing government schools, increasing the number of places available to high-achieving students across Victoria.

Entry will be based on merit and opportunity, helping more students from every background to succeed.



"As a parent, I want my son, Patrick, and every child in Victoria, to get the best start in life."

Conserving our environment.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will protect Victoria's environment through practical solutions.

Under Our Plan we will:

- Make our parks accessible and enjoyable
- Tackle illegal dumping
- Protect our environment

Making our parks accessible and enjoyable

A Liberal and Nationals Government will restore public confidence in public land management by prioritising the core maintenance functions of Parks Victoria.

Our Plan will ensure public walking tracks are open and safe, upgrade campsite amenities, and improve accessibility.

We will support this approach by delivering more rangers and improved public facilities.

We will also ensure public land remains accessible and does not get locked up unnecessarily.

Tackling illegal dumping

A Liberal and Nationals Government will tackle the illegal dumping of rubbish that is occurring in unprecedented levels across our state. We will also review the operation of the landfill levy.

We will scrap the controversial mandatory fourth bin, which local councils argue adds millions in unnecessary administrative and ratepayer costs for no environmental benefit.

In addition, we will require councils to provide Victorian households with a weekly general rubbish collection.

Protecting and preserving our environment

We will safeguard our public lands from degradation and preserve their beauty for the next generation.

Under Our Plan we will implement proactive science-backed land management practices that meet fire mitigation targets and control feral pests while protecting native flora and fauna.

This includes doubling planned fire mitigation burns and properly maintaining firebreaks, and implementing an active pest management strategy to control invasive species.

And we will create a dedicated $50 million Coastal Environment Resilience Fund to manage immediate coastal erosion repairs, as well as investing in longer-term protection measures.

A Liberal and Nationals Government will also establish the Nursery & Garden Industry Victoria Horticulture Centre of Excellence, building workforce capability, and strengthening food production.



Put Victoria back on top.

While Victoria has long defined itself as Australia's cultural capital and the home of Australian live music, that reputation is under genuine threat.

Under Our Plan we will:

- Create a Victoria First strategy
- Retain and attract major events and support local artists
- Establish a Night-time Economy Strategy
- Abolish the Holiday and Tourism Tax

Tourism and major events

Victoria should once again lead the nation in events, culture, and tourism that drive jobs and pride in our state.

Our Plan will support major events, creating a single point of contact for event organisers to make it easier to run events in Victoria.

We will work to retain and attract more major events, including live music.

And we will abolish Labor's Holiday and Tourism Tax that hurts our tourism industry and costs Victorian holiday-makers more.

A Night-time Economy Strategy

Under our Victorian Night-time Economy Strategy we will introduce a suite of reforms to revitalise Victoria's night-time economy and give hospitality businesses greater certainty to invest and employ.

We will turbo-charge Victoria's night life revitalisation with support for outdoor dining, façade activation, signage, lighting and other improvements.

Under Our Plan we will also develop 24-hour economy precincts within the Melbourne Metro area including parts of the Cities of Port Phillip and Yarra.

And we will work to retain, support and attract more live music events across the state and rebuild Victoria's festival calendar.

Outdoor recreation

Alongside our major events and entertainment opportunities in Victoria, we are home to some of Australia's best outdoor recreation activities.

To capitalise on these wonderful natural advantages, we will make it even easier to enjoy fishing, hunting and boating by addressing the practical barriers currently restricting enjoyment of these great activities.



A Fresh Start for Victoria.

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