

SaveTheABC (UN1)

2013 WA By-Election Party Survey Responses



3. **Environmental Sustainability**

7. Would you support increasing Australia's emissions reductions target to at least 19% by 2020, as recommended by the Climate Change Authority earlier this year?

Yes

Comments:

8. Would you support a price and limit on greenhouse gas emissions for the biggest polluters?

Yes

Comments:

9. Would you support Australia committing to immediate ratification of the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol?

Yes

Comments:

10. Would you support policies that prepare Australia for the impacts of between 2 and 4 degrees of global warming scenarios, by establishing and disclosing a national plan of action?

Yes

Comments:

11. Would you support policies that rule out cuts to the current 2020 Renewable Energy Target (of 41,000 GWh)?

Yes

Comments:

12. Would you support strengthening the Renewable Energy Target to at least 50% by 2030?

Conditional yes

Comments: I am strongly supportive of the urgent need to address the issues of climate change that affect our community. I reject the Climate Change sceptics and I will be guided by those that have a much better understanding of the details of what is necessary to achieve a proper reduction in those activities that are influencing climate change .

13. Would you support Australia's commitment to a target of 100% renewable energy by 2050?

No

Comments:

14. Would you support continued funding for large-scale renewable energy and energy efficiency technology through the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC)?

Yes

Comments:

15. Would you support policies that prevent unconventional gas mining in drinking water catchments?

Yes

Comments:

16. Would you support policies that prevent unconventional gas mining in residential areas?

Yes

Comments:

17. Would you support policies that give farmers and other landowners the right to say no to mining on their own property?

Yes

Comments:

18. Would you support a moratorium on coal seam gas and shale gas mining until a scientific consensus on the environmental and health impacts is reached?

Conditional yes

Comments: I would need guidance from reliable environmental experts as to the proper answer on this question.

19. Would you oppose funding cuts for public broadcasters, including the ABC and SBS?

Yes

Comments:

20. Would you oppose the partial or full privatisation of the ABC and/or SBS?

Yes

Comments:

21. Would you rule out policies that would increase regulation of Australia's free press?

Yes

Comments:

22. Oppose the removal and killing of sharks from designated "safe zones" in WA?

Conditional yes

Comments: There seems to be no reliable evidence that a shark cull will have the desired impact and unless that evidence is available I cannot consider supporting it.

23. Would you support greater transparency around global trade deals, like the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement?

Yes

Comments:

24. Would you oppose the inclusion of Investor-State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) clauses in global trade deals like the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement?

Yes

Comments:

25. Would you oppose any industrial-scale dredging or dumping of dredge spoil within the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area?

Conditional yes

Comments: I am strongly committed to protecting our environment but these are matters where I will seek out the advice from the experts who are committed to safeguarding our environment.

26. Would you support implementing the recommendations of the World Heritage Committee to avoid the Great Barrier Reef being listed as 'in danger' by UNESCO?

Yes

Comments:

27. Would you prevent any new port development along the Great Barrier Reef coastline?

No position yet

Comments:

28. Would you support keeping the Federal Government's power to approve or reject any major developments that affect the Great Barrier Reef?

Yes

Comments:

29. Would you support an end to mandatory offshore detention for asylum seekers who arrive in Australia by boat?

Yes

Comments:

30. Do you support the closure of the Manus Island offshore detention centre?

Yes

Comments:

31. Do you think children should be removed from indefinite detention?

Yes

Comments:

32. Would you support maintaining penalty rates for Australian workers?

Yes

Comments: We can't afford in Australia to have the working poor, as they have in the US and therefore rates of pay must provide workers with a livable wage, How that is structured is a matter for negotiation but you cannot simply remove penalty rates if what is left is a wage upon which people cant afford to live.

33. Would you oppose any attempt to get rid of the Unfair Dismissal laws

Yes

Comments:
