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What moves you, what moves your vote?

Councils go online for vote-winning ideas on public transport

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Official launch Thursday 18 February 3.00 pm, BMW Edge, Federation Square



Metropolitan councils through the Metropolitan Transport Forum (MTF) are e-surveying vote-winning ideas for public transport leading up to the Victorian election on 27 November 2010.

The online surveys will be promoted by the MTF's 18 metropolitan councils until 30 April. Results will be presented to the major political parties in May.

MTF Chair, Cr Jackie Fristacky, said that public transport is shaping up as a crucial election issue.

'Our surveys enable the public to say what improvements they are looking for in public transport,' she said.

'Despite record spending by the current government, public transport across Melbourne is not keeping up with community expectations and population growth.

'These surveys will help inform the major parties on community priorities for public transport in the lead up to the November election, said Cr Fristacky.'

Cr Fristacky said it was important to let MPs and candidates know what changes to public transport would influence voters. 'Our e-surveys will make it easy for voters to express their opinions about public transport and send a powerful message to the major parties.'

'Visit www.pt4me2.org.au, take a few minutes to complete the surveys and send a message to the major parties and your local MP. Tell the government and opposition what exactly will move your vote,' she said.

But wait, there's more ...



Watch for pt4me2 U18 survey: pt4me2 will also be surveying young Victorians, under 18 years, about their views on public transport.

Local surveys look at local needs: From 1 March, the pt4me2 surveys will expand to look at specific public transport improvements in Melbourne's North, East, West, South-eastern and inner suburbs.

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