

IS THIS YOU?

- You accept the science of climate change
- You know it's a big issue
- You understand the value of a low carbon economy
- You know we aren't doing enough
- You want to do something positive

Climate Change Balmain-Rozelle is a group of local residents who have joined forces to create change.

We aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions locally and nationally by providing governments and the public with the means and the motive to take the necessary action.

We are working on projects ranging from local initiatives on food waste and rooftop solar electricity, to national campaigns to move Australia to 100% renewable energy.

Join us by becoming a member, or just show your support with a donation. Or simply receive our monthly e-Newsletter.

See our website or email us for details.

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VOTE CLIMATE

Climate change is an important issue – now, and for generations to come. Effective government action is vital if we are to limit the damage. Where do the local candidates stand on climate change action?

READ THIS BEFORE YOU DECIDE WHO TO VOTE FOR

Climate Change Balmain-Rozelle asked the three major party candidates for Balmain about climate change policy.

Lynden Gannon (Lib) did not respond.

Jamie Parker (Greens) and Verity Firth (ALP) replied in detail.

See www.climatechangebr.org for their complete answers.



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COMPARE WHAT THE BALMAIN CANDIDATES HAVE TO SAY ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE

	 Verity Firth (ALP)	 Jamie Parker (Greens)	 Lyndon Gannon* (LIB)
Local rooftop Solar PV	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reinstate Solar Towns and Schools programs Subsidise solar in low-income households Fund R&D and training in renewables 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solar feed-in tariffs Rebates for renters and bodies-corporate Allow neighbours to trade solar energy 	 <p>(Current government introduced start-up funding for community energy*)</p>
What if Fed Govt scraps Renewable Energy Target?	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut emissions by 19% of 2000 level by 2020 State support for investment in renewable energy sector 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legislation to remove uncertainty over investment in renewable energy Fund protection & support of wind and solar Close coal and gas power stations by 2030 	
Wind farms	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to the wind industry Remove red tape Projects over 30MW to get Critical Infrastructure status 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace guidelines with science-based process Support community and co-investment models 	 <p>(Current government has no clear approved policy on wind farms*)</p>
Keeping coal in the ground	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes, but we cannot do it overnight Meet RET of 41,000 GWh by 2020 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes. 95% of NSW's coal reserves must remain in the ground to limit warming to 2°C 	 <p>(Current government continues to licence new and expanded coal mines*)</p>
Transition to jobs in renewables	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan for 20% renewable energy by 2020 Federal price on carbon Support scientists and entrepreneurs in this sector 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase out coal power by 2030 and coal exports by 2020 Ban new coal mines and exploration Progressively shut down existing mines Provide retraining in new jobs in the clean energy economy 	
Coal Seam Gas in NSW	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ban CSG mining in Northern Rivers, water catchments, residential areas and national parks Moratorium on CSG activity across the state Comply with O'Kane 2013 CSG Review 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No to CSG Fossil gas is irrelevant to our energy future 	 <p>(Current government has recently revoked some CSG exploration licences*)</p>
WestConnex vs light rail	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Scrap the M4-M5 tunnel and halt related property acquisitions *Build the Homebush-City M4 extension – with expert advice and community consultation Baird's plans lack community consultation, business case or EIS, and will put even more traffic onto local streets (*NSW Labor policy released after this survey) 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greens oppose this \$14 bn toll road Would lead to more traffic and use of oil Support good public transport connecting where people live, work and relax Expand Sydney's light rail network Remove freight transport from roads 	 <p>(Current government is committed to Westconnex in full*)</p>
Economics vs long term climate change?	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CC is a challenge and an opportunity Governments must explain the cost of doing nothing Responses to climate change will bring new jobs, more efficient cities and lower household costs 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business-as-usual will lead to a social, environmental and employment dead-end Clean economy will create hundreds of thousands of new jobs. As fossil fuel industry declines, this can generate and share wealth 	<p>(*Despite several attempts to contact Lyndon Gannon, he did not respond to the questions, nor did his office return phone calls. At the time of publication, the NSW Liberal party has not announced any policies relating to these questions. Comments above are based on current government actions.)</p>