



# Protect & Prosper New Zealand

## TRANSPORT POLICY

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Transport is the backbone of the country and a major driving force behind a robust economy. All the World's fast-growing economies have affordable and World class transport networks.

### OUR POLICIES AND SOLUTIONS

#### PRESENT ISSUES

1. Due to a lack of vision, planning, and project management billions of taxpayer dollars are being wasted on roading projects.
2. Expensive domestic air travel.
3. No major suburb connectivity with buses and trains.
4. Driver issues.
5. Expensive fuel.

#### OUR PROPOSED SOLUTION

1. Locate quality road-building materials (including Bitumen) for roads.
2. Review road building processes and quality control for road building.
3. Establish affordable domestic air travel.
4. An independent inquiry should be conducted to determine why Air New Zealand failed to deliver reasonable airfares, staff were removed when at the same time top management and consultants received the same level of remuneration.



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1. Air New Zealand has received several hundred million dollars from the New Zealand Government as a subsidy during the Covid-19 pandemic, yet it has completely failed to deliver reasonable air fares to New Zealanders, making it very expensive for the public to travel. This was seen as a waste of Government funding as reasonable fares were not offered to customers. In addition, Air New Zealand jobs were not saved.
2. There needs to be an enquiry conducted into the public money spent.
3. We propose to restructure the management of Air New Zealand and make sure that public money is used to help Air New Zealand offer reasonable air fares to all New Zealanders.
4. Other airlines are providing reasonable airfares on the same routes, achieving profits without large Government subsidies.
5. Review taxes on fuels, to reduce the cost of petrol and diesel.
6. Restructure Waka Kotahi (New Zealand Transport Agency) so that there is Responsibility, Accountability, Transparency, to the satisfaction of the public.
7. Many major cities in New Zealand are facing the same issue of no connectivity between major suburbs.
8. For example, in the Wellington region there's no direct bus service between Porirua and the Hutt Valley.
9. This is affecting a lot of youths and job seekers who do not have their own transport to take on the work offered.
10. Proper management and using 'International Best Practice' could solve the issue of local bus services, train and ferry services in each city.
11. Review the New Zealand Local Government transport Policies. Look to reduce public funding for bus and train companies and make them profitable by restructure their management.
12. All bus and train service management should be held fully accountable, responsible and transparent in all of their undertakings.
13. Solve the bus driver issue in New Zealand, by negotiating and offering fair pay.
14. Prioritise the next phase of transport (eg; electric cars, biofuel cars etc) rather than cycles and cycle lanes.
15. Cyclists to pay an annual bike registration fee to cover maintenance of cycleways, line markings, street signs.
16. Reinstate the national rail network.
17. Objective is to take the load (eg; heavy vehicles) and associated cost burden off the roads.
18. Priority is to rebuild State Highway 1 and other main highways.

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