



# TRANSFORMING TRANSPORT

## Clean, green public transport for Canberra

The Greens will take action on transport pollution

**The ACT Greens are committed to providing Canberrans with fast, convenient and affordable public transport. And, as a modern and environmentally responsible city, the ACT Greens recognise that we have an opportunity to power our public transport with clean, green energy.**

Clean energy powered public transport is good for our planet, it's good for the economy and it's good for our health. Putting the community first means investing in infrastructure that will service our city - both now, and into the future.

The buses we buy today will still be in use in 2030 by which time we want the ACT to be carbon neutral. Almost one quarter of the ACT's polluting emissions come from transport.



*Photo credit: Canberra Metro. The ACT Greens have a plan for a clean energy powered public transport mix including electric and hybrid buses and clean energy powered light rail.*

### > Transition our bus fleet to clean technologies by 2030

The ACT Greens have a target to transition our bus fleet to clean technologies by 2030.

That's why we will invest in new clean energy bus technologies to ensure the ACT has the very best technologies for the future.

The ACT Greens will:

- » Commit \$2.2 million to trial electric buses, hybrid buses, and buses fuelled by biofuels. This is likely to allow the most flexible and fast transition away from buses that run on fossil fuels;
- » At the completion of trials, switch all purchases to clean, green buses.
- » Invest \$130 million over the next four years to phase in clean energy bus technologies including electric buses and hybrid buses. These buses are an investment in our city's future with all new buses likely to operate for approximately 15 years; and
- » Phase out the existing diesel and CNG buses as they come to the end of their service life;
- » Invest in more buses to feed into our clean energy powered light rail and increase the size of our bus fleet to approximately 1000 buses by 2031 to serve our growing city.

**Not only are Canberrans stuck in traffic and spending too long behind the wheel trying to get around the city; but our car-dependence is costing Canberran families too much money in fuel, it's contributing to our city's air pollution and it's driving dangerous global warming.**

**Putting the community first means giving Canberrans real alternatives. That means more clean-energy powered buses, and more bus routes, that feed into our clean-energy powered light rail so that Canberrans can travel quickly and easily around our city.**

**Canberra can lead the way, learning from the progress already being made on clean bus technologies in other cities. For example, already 20% of London's bus fleet is hybrid-electric, and they are operating 17 electric only buses. Transport for London is also trialling biofuel buses made from used cooking oil from the catering industry.**