

Queensland Election Community Calling Fact Sheet

About the electorate of Maiwar

Maiwar is held by LNP member and Shadow Treasurer Scott Emerson. Maiwar is a new seat in the inner North of Brisbane, created after the redistribution of seats this year. Emerson held his previous seat on a 57% margin, but recent polling shows the race in Maiwar will be very close, with the two party preferred projected to be exactly 50-50. The seat is adjacent to the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens and includes the University of Queensland. It's a high income area with a high Green vote. In recent GetUp polling, 'creating jobs in renewable energy' was listed as the number one voting issue.

Candidates:

- Scott Emerson - Liberal National Party
- Michael Berkman - Greens
- Ali King - Labor
- Anita Diamond - Independent (People Decide)

Adani's billion-dollar bailout

Key Points	Details
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adani has applied for a billion-dollar loan from the federal government to build their rail line from their coal mine to Abbot Point.• If re-elected, QLD Labor has vowed to veto the loan to Adani.• If a QLD Labor Government blocks the billion-dollar loan, Adani's plans to build the world's newest large coal project will be in trouble.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adani has applied for a billion dollar loan from the Northern Australian Infrastructure Fund (NAIF), which has \$5 billion of public money to invest in Northern Australia.• Right now, it's looking like NAIF plans to spend these taxpayer funds on coal projects (like Adani's mine), instead of funding local projects that could make a real, lasting difference to local communities.• The legal structure of the NAIF fund gives the Queensland government has the power to veto the NAIF loan.• Adani is relying on the loan to attract other backers -- so if they fail to secure the \$1 billion, it will make it more difficult for them to go ahead with the mega-mine. <p>Party and candidate positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Premier Palaszczuk and the ALP <u>will</u> block the billion-dollar loan to Adani. If re-elected, Palaszczuk said she'll send a letter to the Prime Minister on her first day in office to veto the handout.• The Greens have consistently rejected the Adani coal mine, including funding and environmental approvals.• Tim Nicholls and the LNP want to give taxpayer funds to Adani. The Liberal and National parties have championed the billion-dollar bailout from day one.

- One Nation support the Adani mine, but instead of the NAIF loan being given to Adani, "but instead of the NAIF loan being given to Adani, they want the money to come straight from the government -- so taxpayers would still be footing the bill for Adani's rail line.
- We are awaiting a response to our policy survey from Independent Candidate Anita Diamond. Her website states that she cares about the environment, but would be guided by the majority view in her electorate on all issues. She is not on the record as supporting the NAIF loan.

Renewables and Power Prices

Key Points	Details
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LNP wants to scrap Queensland's renewable energy target, and instead build a new coal-burning power plant. • QLD Labor has a plan to source half of Queensland's power from renewable energy by 2030 and have a suite of policies to boost rooftop solar. • New coal fired power is the most expensive source of electricity, while rooftop solar slashes power prices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to industry experts, the LNP's new coal fired power station would mean a doubling of power prices. • New coal fired power is the most expensive source of electricity, while households with solar enjoy significantly lower power prices • Queensland Labor has a suite of policies to encourage uptake of rooftop solar, including zero interest loans. • Household solar keeps bills down, but the LNP will scrap this support for homeowners and tenants to get rooftop solar • QLD Labor also has a plan to build at least 1400MV of new solar, wind and battery storage by 2020.

Deals with One Nation

Key Points	Details
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pauline Hanson's One Nation and the LNP have made a secretive preference deal. • The LNP is preferencing One Nation in 2 out of every 3 seats where they're running. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The deal behind the LNP/ON preference deal is not public. Serious questions surround what LNP offered One Nation in return - positions in government? Policy compromises? Campaign resources? • In contrast, QLD Labor and the Greens have both ruled out forming government with One Nation and have pledged to place them last on their how-to-vote cards.