

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into Expanding Melbourne's Free Tram Zone

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The free tram zone is a fantastic step in recognising that instead of providing free or subsidised on-street parking, we ought to provide free public transport instead. On-street parking benefit few, while the free tram zone benefit the many. I'd like to see it extended further to leisure areas - St Kilda, Albert Park, Royal Botanical Gardens, Melbourne University, and to nearby areas such as South Melbourne, Carlton, Fitzroy, and Collingwood.

There is tangible benefits in recognising that our roads are free to use because they are taxpayer funded, and they are mainly used by single-occupancy cars, causing pollution, congestion, and is an inefficient use of public space. Tax the use of the roads via congestion charging and use that money to fund free public transport (and active transport) instead.

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