

Langley Township - 2018 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CANDIDATE SURVEY RESULTS

QUESTION 1 *Will you vote in favour of infrastructure investments that separate bicycles from motor vehicles and pedestrians along key transportation corridors and certain busy commercial streets?*

Jack Froese MAYOR	Yes	
Gail Chaddock-Costello COUNCIL	Yes	I agree bicycling is a part of healthy living and that for everyone's safety, separate lanes are appropriate.
Val Davis COUNCIL	Yes	Yes. I support creating healthier communities.
Steve Ferguson COUNCIL	Yes	
Jonathan Houweling COUNCIL	Yes	
Michael Pratt COUNCIL	Yes	You don't build a bridge based on how many people you see swimming across a river. Therefore, I believe it's important that we make the proper investment in safe cycling infrastructure as soon as possible, especially in our community (the Township of Langley) in areas that will be densified.
Angie Quaale COUNCIL	Yes	
Kim Richter COUNCIL	Yes	If we want young people to bike more, then we need streets and bike routes that are safe for them.
Kerri Ross COUNCIL	Yes	I have been active with HUB Cycling and believe that dedicated infrastructure not only encourages alternate transportation (to motor vehicles) but can overall reduce the long-term costs associated with biking and walking while making it safer and more inviting.
Craig Teichrieb COUNCIL	Yes	
Eric Woodward COUNCIL	Yes	



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QUESTION 2 Will you vote in favour of infrastructure investments that #UnGapTheMap in the municipal and regional cycling network, allowing people of all ages and abilities to travel safely by bicycle?

Learn more about #UnGapTheMap at www.bikehub.ca/ungapthemap



Jack Froese MAYOR	Yes	
Gail Chaddock-Costello COUNCIL	Yes	
Val Davis COUNCIL	Yes	It is a similar concept to the Great Trail spanning Canada coast to coast. I have biked in Holland and the ease at which you can go from place to place is amazing.
Steve Ferguson COUNCIL	Yes	
Jonathan Houweling COUNCIL	Yes	
Michael Pratt COUNCIL	Yes	
Angie Quaale COUNCIL	Yes	
Kim Richter COUNCIL	Yes	This is especially important for children. We need to make our streets safe for them.
Kerri Ross COUNCIL	Yes	I have ridden and looked at sections of infrastructure in Langley that are present targets of the #UnGapTheMap campaign and see them as targets for tying together communities and neighbourhoods that need alternate transportation options in order to be more livable.
Craig Teichrieb COUNCIL	Yes	
Eric Woodward COUNCIL	Yes	



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QUESTION 3 *Do you think the budget for cycling infrastructure should increase, stay the same, or decrease and why?*

Jack Froese MAYOR	Stay the same	My municipality has a plan to improve the cycling network annually and recently the budget to do this was increased. Therefore, at this time I would support leaving it the same and not reducing it back to previous levels.
Gail Chaddock-Costello COUNCIL	Increase	There doesn't seem to be sufficient funding to address this issue and of course it could be a part of the development plan initially, building the costs in up front as opposed to an add on after the fact.
Val Davis COUNCIL	Increase	I think we need to look at the budget and see how we can spend the money better.
Steve Ferguson COUNCIL	Increase	
Jonathan Houweling COUNCIL	Increase	I doubt our municipality even has a cycling infrastructure budget.
Michael Pratt COUNCIL	Stay the same	This is a tricky question, as I believe we need the proper investment in cycling infrastructure, but we also need to take into consideration other capital investments. I would have to take a closer look at our municipality's books in order to give a confident answer.
Angie Quaale COUNCIL	Stay the same	
Kim Richter COUNCIL	Increase	Policy makers need more input from actual bike users in their communities to determine where monies should be spent.
Kerri Ross COUNCIL	Increase	I would like to know if we are talking about Civic Budgets, or Provincial / Federal Grants budgeted. If we are talking about civic budgets, I would like to see more resources allocated to the timely completion of alternative transportation infrastructure. There are too many projects and sections of road etc. sitting and not tied together in a way that makes them fully functional.
Craig Teichrieb COUNCIL	Increase	I believe the network of bike routes should compliment our transit system. The ability to navigate and commute safely with two wheels should be part of every community plan, with input on the user groups to ensure the direction of travel serves its purpose.
Eric Woodward COUNCIL	Increase	

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QUESTION 4 *Do you support providing transportation cycling education to all elementary school students so that kids can learn to be safe and responsible road users early on?*

Jack Froese MAYOR	Yes	
Gail Chaddock-Costello COUNCIL	Yes	I'm an educator and so I firmly believe in educating children to be responsible for themselves and learn how to keep themselves safe from an early age. Prevention is always better than the cure.
Val Davis COUNCIL	Yes	
Steve Ferguson COUNCIL	Yes	
Jonathan Houweling COUNCIL	Yes	
Michael Pratt COUNCIL	Yes	
Angie Quaale COUNCIL	Yes	
Kim Richter COUNCIL	Yes	Absolutely!
Kerri Ross COUNCIL	Yes	All children should learn safe cycling practices.
Craig Teichrieb COUNCIL	Yes	
Eric Woodward COUNCIL	Yes	



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QUESTION 5 *Given that urban density has caused much traffic congestion, will you support the building of a transportation network which includes multi-modal transportation alternatives such as dedicated cycling infrastructures and efficient public transit?*

Jack Froese MAYOR	Yes	
Gail Chaddock-Costello COUNCIL	Yes	Of course, congestion is a huge problem for Langley. We are only now getting improved service and even with TransLink's new plan, we are Phase Three out here and funding for those initiatives are not yet secured. Multi-modal transportation can reduce pollution as well as traffic congestion and provide cheaper travel alternatives.
Val Davis COUNCIL	Yes	
Steve Ferguson COUNCIL	Yes	
Jonathan Houweling COUNCIL	Yes	
Michael Pratt COUNCIL	Yes	
Angie Quaale COUNCIL	Yes	
Kim Richter COUNCIL	Yes	As long as this infrastructure is safe for cyclists
Kerri Ross COUNCIL	Yes	The more alternatives people are offered the more diversified the routing streams for travel will be and therefore reduce congestion. Dedicated cycling infrastructure should make interface with transit and make it more easily useable. The limited bike racks on buses and limited SkyTrain access for bikes, reduces people's comfort and willingness to cycle.
Craig Teichrieb COUNCIL	Yes	As I stated in a previous question, public transportation and bicycle routes should compliment each other.
Eric Woodward COUNCIL	Yes	

