

# Safe Climate Scorecard

Tasmanian Climate Collective

Tasmanian State Election 2024



## How scores were determined

The aim of the Safe Climate Scorecard was to rank each candidate and party on their climate ambition. A team of Tasmanian Climate Collective members developed a 14 question questionnaire (see below) to determine their stance on climate action. These questions were developed based on the leading science of the best ways for Tasmania to reduce its emissions.

Each question had a set of scores, as shown below. We had four scorers who scored the answers 'blind', so they were unaware of the name of the candidate to remove any biases. The existing policies of political parties were also taken into account.

Some of the major parties did not reply to our questionnaire. As such, scores for Labor and Liberals were based on their existing policies. For the Jackie Lambie Network, they did not reply to our questionnaire and do not have any existing policies, as such they have been marked as poor (an asterisk explaining this has been added to the scorecard).

Responses were classed into categories as follows:

81-100%	three green ticks
71-80%	two green ticks
61-70%	one green tick
41-60%	orange ~ symbol
31-40%	one red X
16 - 30%	two red X
0-15%	three red X

# Questionnaire Questions and Scoring

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Tasmania's current greenhouse emissions targets are weak as they rely on the land sector to 'offset' emissions from other sectors. We need emissions targets for each sector. Will you support legislated targets and funding to [reduce greenhouse gas emissions from each economic sector](#) by at least 60% by 2030 (compared with 2005) and a 2050 target of near zero net emissions for each sector?

Yes - 4  
No - 0  
Other: - 0 - 4

Will you support legislation that [prevents any new gas, coal or oil](#) developments, expansion or exploration in Tasmanian lands or waters?

Yes -2  
No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

Will you support incentives for solar, electrification and energy efficiencies for:

Small Businesses - .5  
Large Businesses - .25  
Low income households - 1  
Social and public housing - 1  
All households - .25  
Other: 0-2

[Ending native forest logging in Tasmania](#) is the single most effective climate action that the government could take. Do you support ending native forest logging?

Yes -3  
No - 0  
Other: - 0 - 3

Considering that expert [scientific advice is to reduce, not offset emissions](#), do you reject Tasmanian forest carbon sinks being sold as offsets to the fossil fuel industry?

Yes -2

No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

Which of the following do you support to help reduce [Tasmania's transport emissions](#)?

Interest free loans of up to \$15,000 for electric car purchases - 1  
Set ambitious targets for public and active transport - .5  
Make public transport more frequent, cheaper, reliable and accessible - 1.5  
New public transport bus purchases to be electric by 2025 Government vehicle fleet to be electrified by 2025 - .5  
Invest in the electrification of heavy vehicles - .5  
Other: 0-4

Do you support an [Independent Climate Change Commission](#) to ensure transparent reporting and accountability?

Yes -2  
No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

Will you support legislation to require [landlords to meet a minimum energy efficiency standard](#) so tenants are protected from energy poverty?

Yes -2  
No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

Do you support all new buildings to have [energy ratings of 7 or higher](#) like the rest of Australia?

Yes, by 2025 - 2  
Yes, by 2030 - 1.5  
No - 0  
Other:0-2

Will you [ban new gas connections](#), and phase out existing gas and [wood heaters](#) to domestic housing?

Yes, by 2025 - 2  
Yes, by 2030 - 1.5  
No - 0  
Other:0-2

Will you increase funding for the planning and management of extreme, climate change-related weather events, for example by increasing the state's fire-fighting resources?

Yes -2  
No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

Do you support active restoration of the natural environment to restore carbon stocks?

Yes -2  
No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

Do you acknowledge the critical role that cultural knowledge of palawa communities must play in a sustainable and renewable approach to caring for country?

Yes -2  
No - 0  
Other: - 0-2

What other climate-related policies do you have that you would like to inform voters about? Please refer to our [information sheet](#) for more important policy suggestions.

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