

MK, Community Advocate and Federal Election Candidate 2028

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Title: Fuel Price Reform Campaign – A Fairer System for Australians

MK, a community advocate and candidate for the Australian Federal Election 2028, is calling for urgent reform in fuel pricing policies. The campaign focuses on transparency, affordability, and stronger national planning.

Fuel prices in Australia include the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and additional taxes from state and federal governments. These extra charges are not clearly shown to consumers. This lack of transparency makes it difficult for individuals to understand the true cost of fuel.

Rising fuel prices are placing pressure on households. Many Australians rely on their vehicles for work, education, and healthcare. When prices increase, daily life becomes more difficult, especially for low-income families.

Australia currently holds a crude oil stockpile that covers about 37 days of supply. In contrast, Singapore maintains a reserve that lasts around 180 days. Given Australia's much larger size, there is strong potential to maintain a significantly larger stockpile. A stronger reserve could help stabilise prices during global disruptions.

Concerns have also been raised about past policy decisions. Fuel prices increased from \$1.50 to \$2.30 per litre. It is argued that governments had the option to respond through legislation. Measures such as price controls or amendments to existing laws could have reduced the impact on consumers.

The financial burden is clear. For every 100 litres of fuel, approximately \$80 is paid in additional charges. This creates ongoing pressure for individuals and families already managing tight budgets.

The campaign calls for:

- Clear and transparent breakdowns of fuel pricing, including all taxes
- Policy reform to better manage fuel price increases
- Expansion of Australia's crude oil stockpile
- Greater accountability in government decision-making

Community members are encouraged to support the campaign by:

- Engaging in public discussion
- Sharing information through social media using #auspol and #ppap
- Supporting advocacy for fair and transparent fuel policies

MK and supporting organisations are committed to promoting fairness and reducing financial stress on Australian households. Access to affordable fuel is essential for maintaining employment, health, and community connection.

For more information, contact MK ###