

The Honourable Jing Lee MLC

Member of Parliament in the Legislative Council

Leader of Jing Lee - Better Community



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Mr Nick Reade
Chief Executive Officer
Royal Automobile Association (RAA)
Via Email

Dear Nick,

Thank you for the opportunity to consider the RAA 2026 State Election Platform. The platform outlines a comprehensive program focused on a safer, more sustainable, and more liveable South Australia, with significant emphasis on transport, energy, infrastructure, community resilience, and cost-of-living relief. It reflects insights from more than 830,000 RAA members and sets out practical, evidence-based proposals.

Over my 16 years in the South Australian Parliament, I have worked closely with local member-based organisations who advocate for better outcomes for their members and support community wellbeing, economic participation, and quality of life. As Leader of Jing Lee – Better Community, my policy platform is guided by three pillars:

- **Better Community:** I believe a better community is one where everyone feels a sense of belonging and shared purpose for collective growth and wellbeing.
- **Safer Society:** I believe everyone deserves to participate fully and freely in an inclusive society where they feel safe and respected.
- **Stronger Economy:** I believe in creating opportunities for local jobs across all professions and supporting business growth across all industries – in the cities, suburbs, and regional South Australia.

These principles underpin every policy I develop, and I am pleased to outline where your industry priorities strongly align with this framework.

Safe

RAA's Safe pillar demonstrates clear alignment with my focus on community wellbeing, public safety, and economic productivity. Your emphasis on improving road safety, reducing crash risks, and building more resilient transport networks – including national highway duplication, an Adelaide Hills Freight Bypass Business Case, regional road maintenance uplift, AusRAP transparency, improved local council asset-management tools, and a cycling/e-mobility infrastructure fund - strongly complements my own objectives. These initiatives support a **Better Community** through safer regional and peri-urban roads, contribute to a **Safer Society** through evidence-based upgrades and transparent reporting and underpin a **Stronger Economy** by improving freight efficiency and regional connectivity. I am supportive of further exploring these proposals given their clear potential to improve transport safety and resilience.



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Sustainable

The Sustainable pillar outlines practical pathways to reducing household energy bills, accelerating EV adoption, expanding public charging, improving building resilience, and strengthening disaster preparedness through long-term funding. These priorities align closely with my commitment to cost-of-living relief, climate resilience, and economic sustainability.

Your proposals support a **Stronger Economy** by fostering clean-tech industry growth and a skilled workforce, contribute to a **Safer Society** through resilient planning and updated hazard mapping, and enhance a **Better Community** by helping households manage energy costs and withstand natural hazards. I welcome opportunities to continue examining these measures with key stakeholders.

Liveable

The Liveable pillar highlights public transport expansion, on-demand services, fare flexibility, congestion management linked to housing growth, real-time fuel pricing, improved licensing accessibility, and tourism development including export-ready experiences and major attractions.

Enhanced public transport access and flexible mobility options build a **Better Community** by improving inclusion and everyday liveability. Tourism growth strengthens community vibrancy and pride of place. Reduced congestion and safer transport corridors contribute to a **Safer Society**, while an uplift in the visitor economy, labour mobility, and regional participation supports a **Stronger Economy**.

The RAA's platform offers a constructive contribution to South Australia's future, and the alignment with my policy pillars of Better Community, Safer Society, and Stronger Economy is evident across many of your recommendations. I take this opportunity to convey my thanks and acknowledge your strong leadership, along with the RAA Executive and Board Members. I welcome the opportunity to continue working with the RAA to identify practical pathways that support improved mobility, resilience, and quality of life for all South Australians.

Thank you again for the opportunity to consider your 2026 State Election Platform.

Yours sincerely,

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