

## **INQUIRY INTO ROAD TOLLING**

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I am in favour of congestion charging, also known as tolling roads. We have approximately 5000 Australians a year killed by motorists either by way of collision or pollution. Our urban areas are often marred by absurd levels of excess car use to the point where urban amenity and businesses are lost (e.g. Parramatta Road). I don't want traffic sewers. This is a disaster we cannot ignore. I would prefer tolls to be put on the urban roads, especially the arterials. So please go ahead and toll Parramatta Road, Victoria Road, City West Link, ANZAC Bridge and so on anywhere that congestion occurs or where urban amenity is spoiled by excess car use. If this means that tolls can be removed from motorways, fine. I'd prefer the money be spent on public transport, but at least motorways are away from people places. I don't want public assets (ie. M4) sold to private concerns unless that returns a profit to the taxpayer for use restoring urban amenity (people spaces) and public transport. Where private toll companies fail to put in and maintain uninterrupted separated active transport through the road corridor as is required by RMS policy also the M2 deed I would like government to do that work, funded by levying the tolls collected by/for the road operator. Thank you, Martin Geliot