

Agreement between Stephen Mayne, the Australian Greens and Richard Cranston 2016 Federal Election

PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT

This agreement is between:

- Stephen Mayne (**Mayne**) of 10 McLachlan St, Templestowe VIC 3106, independent candidate for the federal electorate of Menzies at the 2016 federal election;
- Shaun Ruigrok (**Ruigrok**) of 6 Camberley Rise, Ringwood North VIC 3134, as Co-Convenor of the Manningham Greens has acted on behalf of the Greens party.

WHEREAS:

- (a) The 2016 Federal election (**the Election**) is to be held throughout Australia on 2 July 2016
- (b) Richard Cranston is standing as the Greens candidate for Menzies at the Election.
- (c) Mayne is standing as an independent candidate for Menzies at the Election.
- (d) The Greens and Mayne have similar policy positions on certain issues.
- (e) The Greens and Ruigrok wish to mutually agree with Mayne on the suggested allocation of preferences to each other as shown on how-to-vote cards (**HTVs**) to be distributed to voters in the Menzies electorate.

THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Greens and Ruigrok agree to show Mayne ahead of the Australian Labor Party on its HTVs to be distributed to voters in the Menzies electorate at the Election, both on pre-poll (early voting) days and on 2 July 2016.
2. Mayne agrees to show Cranston ahead of the Australian Labor Party on his HTVs to be distributed to voters in the Menzies electorate at the Election, both on pre-poll days and on 2 July 2016.
3. Mayne and the Greens through Ruigrok each agree to preference the Australian Labor Party above the Liberal Party in the Menzies electorate.
4. Mayne and the Greens through Ruigrok each agree to support and advocate for the following policy positions during the campaign for the Election in Menzies:
 - (a) They will each support and advocate for marriage equality between same-sex couples and for legislation to be passed legalising marriage equality.
 - (b) They will each support and advocate for strong action on climate change, including for the implementation of a carbon price to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and for the phasing out of coal-fired power plants.

- (c) They will each support and advocate for the closure of off-shore Australian immigration detention centres on Nauru and Manus Island in the term of the 45th Parliament.
 - (d) They will each support and advocate for policies to reduce problem gambling, including the mandatory limitation of bets to \$1 as articulated on the Greens' website at <http://greens.org.au/dollar-bet-limits>.
 - (e) They will each support and advocate for the legalisation of voluntary euthanasia in Australia subject to appropriate safeguards.
5. In the event either Mayne or Cranston is elected as the Member of Parliament for Menzies, the parties agree that Mayne or the Greens through Cranston (as the case may be) shall support and advocate for the policy positions set out in clause 3 above:-
- (a) throughout the term of the 45th Parliament; and
 - (b) irrespective of whether: –
 - (i) the Australian Labor Party;
 - (ii) the Liberal/National coalition; or
 - (iii) neither of themhas a majority in the House of Representatives during that term.
5. This agreement shall remain in force: –
- (a) until and including 2 July 2016; or
 - (b) in the event either Mayne or Cranston is elected as the Member for Menzies at the Election, until the end of the term of the 45th Parliament.

SIGNED this 10th day of June 2016



Shaun Ruigrok
Co-Convenor
Manningham Greens

Stephen Mayne
Independent Candidate for Menzies
2016 Federal Election