



Introduction

The Municipal Association of Victoria is the peak body for Victorian Local Government and represents Victoria's 79 local councils.

In March 2025 the MAV identified five priorities for Victorian Councils:

1. *Make Community Infrastructure Happen*
2. *Make Safer Roads Happen*
3. *Make Fairer Energy Happen*
4. *Make Resilient Communities Happen*
5. *Make Local Democracy Happen*

Position

IPWEA Victoria is an engineering association with a commitment to enabling better public works. Most of its members work with or for Victorian Councils so IPWEAV is well-placed to support the following three MAV priorities:

- ***Making Community Infrastructure Happen***
Delivering the infrastructure growing communities need.
- ***Making Safer Roads Happen***
Connecting communities and supporting a safer and more productive Victoria.
- ***Make Resilient Communities Happen***
Future-proofing communities to withstand natural disaster.

Statement

IPWEAV will support the MAV by advocating:

Making Community Infrastructure Happen

- *That funding be allocated for the 'Building Connected Communities' Fund proposed by the MAV to deliver community infrastructure to match new housing supply*

Making Safer Roads Happen

- *That funding be allocated for a 'Community Road Repair Blitz' Fund proposed by the MAV to ensure the safety and efficiency of local roads*

Make Resilient Communities Happen

- *That funding be allocated for a new 'Build to Withstand' Fund proposed by the MAV to identify and address the highest priority infrastructure for resilience upgrades*
- *That additional funding be allocated to develop resilient infrastructure standards for publication in Victoria's Infrastructure Design Manual and Engineering Design and Construction Manual for Growth Areas*