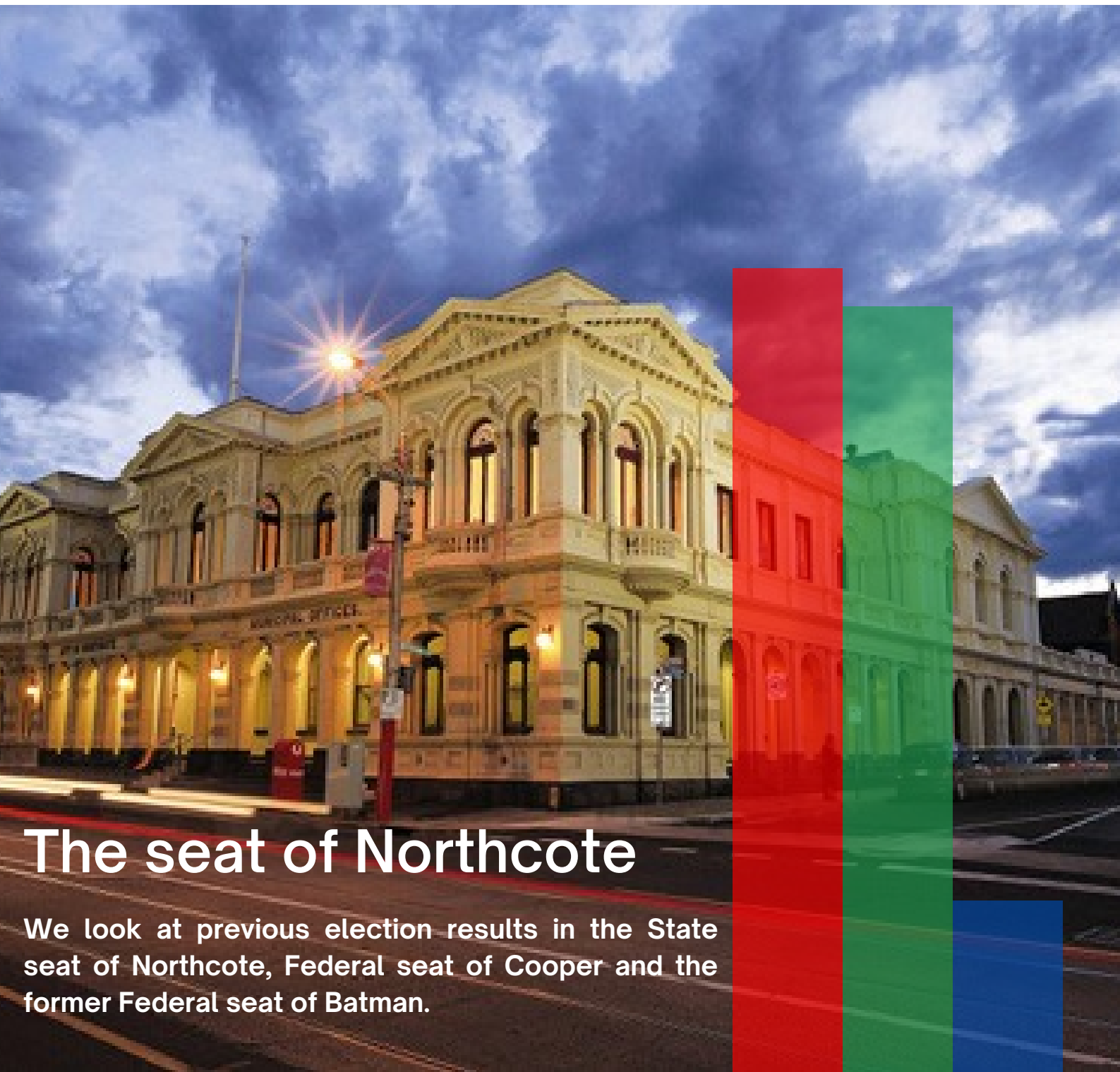


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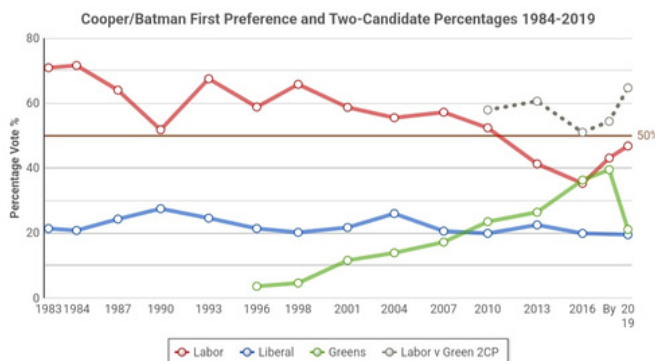


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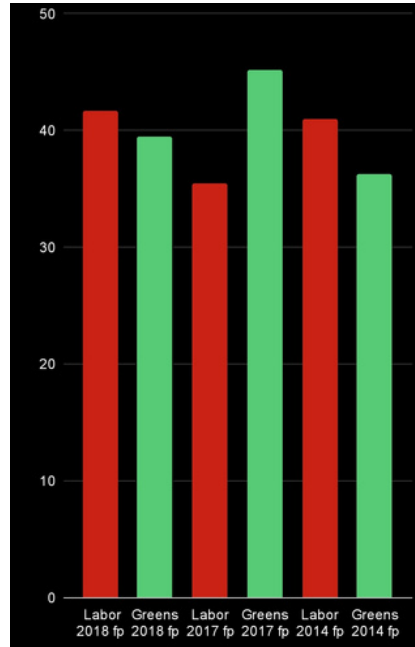


The Victorian election is drawing ever closer. In this article we look at previous election results in the State seat of Northcote, Federal seat of Cooper and the former Federal seat of Batman.

The Greens have been battling against Labor in the federal seat of Cooper for over a decade. Looking at the graph below which shows results up to the 2019 Federal election. Show a dramatic fall in the Greens' vote.



Then if you look at the State seat of Northcote the Greens won the seat briefly after a 2017 by-election with Lidia Thorpe (now a Senator for Victoria) winning. The Greens then lost the seat in the 2018 election against current MP Kat Theophanous. The Greens' drop in votes around 2018/2019 has been attributed by many, to conflict within the party.



Election results for the seat of Northcote (first preference).

Looking at the results from the 2022 Federal election the Greens seem to be back on track, picking up 3 lower house seats in Queensland, going from 1 lower house seat to 4. In the seat of Cooper The gap between Labor and The Greens tightened.

The seat of Northcote is more progressive than Cooper, Meaning The Greens look to have a definite chance this election, of course we will get a better picture closer to November 26.

# Local

## Rewilding Darebin wins a Premier's Sustainability Award

Rewilding darebin has won a Premier's Sustainability award.

The project included planting indigenous vegetation and Creating habitats for local flora and fauna.

A statement on there website reads:

"Darebin City Council is excited to announce that we have won a Premier's Sustainability Awards in the Thriving Environment category for our Rewilding Darebin project.

This award recognises our work in integrating natural landscape elements into urban spaces for the benefit of both public health and the conservation of biodiversity.

The 2022 award winners were congratulated at an awards ceremony hosted by broadcaster, columnist and author Alice Zaslavsky on Tuesday 20 September."



# Victoria

## Victorian Election

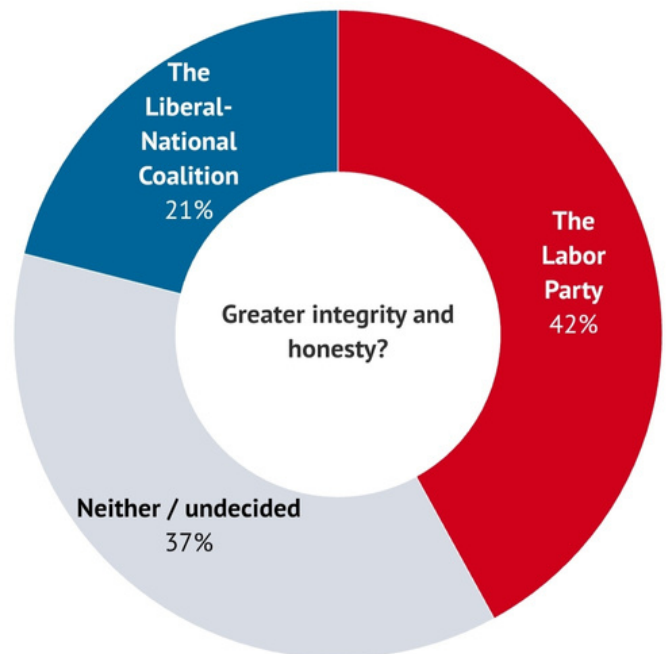


The Victorian election is steadily approaching, as Daniel Andrews and Mathew Guy prepare for the November election. The Liberals under Mathew Guy are campaigning on shelving the Suburban Rail Loop which has been estimated to cost around \$200 Billion.

The Opposition says it will use the money for the rail project to fund Victoria's health system which has experienced a magnitude of issues in the past few years including ambulance ramping and long wait times in hospitals have plagued the system.

Victorian Labor has also had issues with corruption and integrity with multiple branch stacking scandals. However a recent poll from The Age showed that Twice as many Victorians trust Labor more on integrity than the coalition.

The coalition may put forward an abundance of reasons for Victorians to vote against Labor. But the Liberals unseating Labor would be a Mammoth task considering how large a majority Labor holds and shown in polling it is unlikely that many Victorians will switch from red to blue.





# National

## National Anti Corruption Commission

On Wednesday Mark Dreyfus the Attorney-General introduced legislation to establish a federal anti corruption commission Called the "National Anti Corruption Commission" (NACC).



IMAGE: Attorney-General Mark Dreyfus

It is expected to pass the lower house due to Labor having a majority. Bipartisan support is also looking promising with Opposition Leader Peter Dutton saying he will support the bill, however it isn't confirmed that he would agree to the bill in its current form.

Then to the cross bench. The cross bench is mostly in favour of the bill but both teal independents and The Greens want more space for public hearings. In the bill it states that private hearings are the default and public hearings would happen only in exceptional circumstances. The coalition says the Government is right to have private hearings as a default but the crossbench wants the bill to change wording to allow for more public hearings. Independent Helen Haines who previously introduced a bill for an Anti Corruption Commission during the Morrison Government's term has been leading the crossbench push for a Strong commission. She has been pushing for more whistleblower protections as well as a more defined definition of corruption.

The NACC will also have powers to perform covert

surveillance, execute search warrants on private premises or search without a warrant on Commonwealth premises, compel documents and limited arrest powers.

The bill is expected to pass Parliament by the end of the year.

## Optus breach



Last week Optus was hit by a devastating cyber attack that stole Emails, Phone numbers, Customer Names, and dates of birth. For some customers, addresses and ID document numbers eg: driver's licence or passport numbers have been exposed.

"We are devastated to discover that we have been subject to a cyber attack that has resulted in the disclosure of our customers' personal information to someone who shouldn't see it," Optus CEO Kelly Bayer Rosmarin said in a statement.

Now The Australian Federal Police have launched Operation Guardian to protect those highest at risk from the mass cyber attack. Which stole personal information from millions of Australians

# World

## Putin annexes 4 regions in Ukraine



Russian President Vladimir Putin has signed treaties to annex four occupied regions of Ukraine.

Mr Putin declared Luhansk, Donetsk, Kherson and Zaporizhzhia would become part of Russia in a major speech with the annexed regions' pro-Moscow administrators present.

This comes after Russia set up sham referendums in these four regions in Ukraine the "results" for the 4 regions were in the 80s and 90s in percentage. Of course there is no doubt that these referendums were rigged.

This no doubt sets a dangerous precedent for the war. Now that Russia has claimed these territories as its own, it has a better case at home to use nuclear weapons in the war.

## Italian election

Giorgia Meloni is widely expected to form Italy's most right-wing government since World War Two.

Speaking after the vote, Ms Meloni said her Brothers of Italy party would "govern for everyone".



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Birds