

## Greens announce Charles Jago as candidate for State and Federal elections

The Greens have announced that Canada Bay Council Deputy Mayor, Charles Jago, will be standing as their candidate for the forthcoming elections in both the NSW seat of Drummoyne and the federal seat of Reid.

Mr Jago said: "The Greens provide an alternative voice to that of the major parties.

"Australians want change in their political landscape, but the major parties are not responding. The public want a government which has vision and policies which meet our country's needs into the future. Key issues in the coming elections include climate and energy, the economy, housing, transport, state government control of local government and planning, health, education, refugees, plus government transparency and accountability.

"The coming elections are especially important because the federal and NSW governments have basically given up on climate and energy policy. Respected scientists emphasise that we need to transition to a renewables economy which will reduce our reliance on coal and reduce energy prices. The current Liberal governments are hiding their head in the sand when it comes to taking action on climate change. They are no longer even pretending to take action on this.

"We need economic policies that encourage technological research and learning, to create fulltime permanent jobs. We don't need tax policies that benefit large corporations and wealthy individuals as in the last federal Budget. The Greens will make sure that wealthy corporations pay their share of tax so that we can invest in Australia's future."

Charles Jago's career background includes experience in information technology, community development, the electricity industry and as an adult educator. He is currently Deputy Mayor and a Councillor in Canada Bay Council.

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