

## Inquiry into the Impact of Social Media on Elections and Electoral Administration Survey

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**Organisation name:**  
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### SURVEY

Q1. Encouraging social media platforms to take more action against inappropriate activities (such as bots, harassment, trolling, spreading fake news).

**Response:** Very good idea

Only if they treat the left the same as they treat the right wing. Not one rule for the lefties and one rule for the right wing.

Q2. The government funding media literacy campaigns to help people know what they can trust online.

**Response:** Very bad idea

Take the Victorian Government for example:

- \* Red Shirts
- \* Branch Stacking
- \* Hotel quarantine debacle

I wouldn't be trusting anything they put on line!!

Q3. Requiring public disclosure of all online political advertising (for example, webpages created by social media platforms showing all of the political advertising on their platform and who paid for it, or webpages created by parties/candidates showing all of the online ads they have run).

**Response:** Very good idea

We need to know who the organisation/person is supporting during the election. All conflicts of interests must be outlined clearly at the top of each post!!!!

Q4. Requiring online electoral advertising to state who paid for it.

**Response:** Very good idea

"Premier spends more than \$380k on Facebook posts and digital videos

Premier Daniel Andrews has spent at least \$380,000 of taxpayers' money chasing "likes" for his Facebook page and creating videos he starred in that were shared on his -social media platforms".

<https://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/victoria/premier-spends-more-than-380k-on-facebook-posts-and-digital-videos/news-story/b5c7ae52d6765c9f193df33e2185e10b>

Do the smaller political parties also get \$380,000 of taxpayer's money to big note themselves on social media?

Everyone should get the same amount of taxpayer's money to spend on social media advertising!!!

Q5. Government support for independent and trust-worthy organisations that can fact-check claims or identify misinformation.

**Response:** Very bad idea

They will always swing towards the government's agenda. Just like Q&A RMIT's Fact Checker that has got it wrong on so many occasions:

Q6. Using independent organisations (e.g. the Victorian Electoral Commission) as a source of reliable information about electoral candidates.

**Response:** Not sure

Q7. New laws requiring truth in political advertising.

**Response:** Not sure

Can you trust who says what is or what isn't the truth??

Q8. Are there other things you'd like to see the government do relating to social media or online advertising and elections?

**Response:** Not spending \$180,000+ of our money to big note themselves on social media would be a great start!!!!