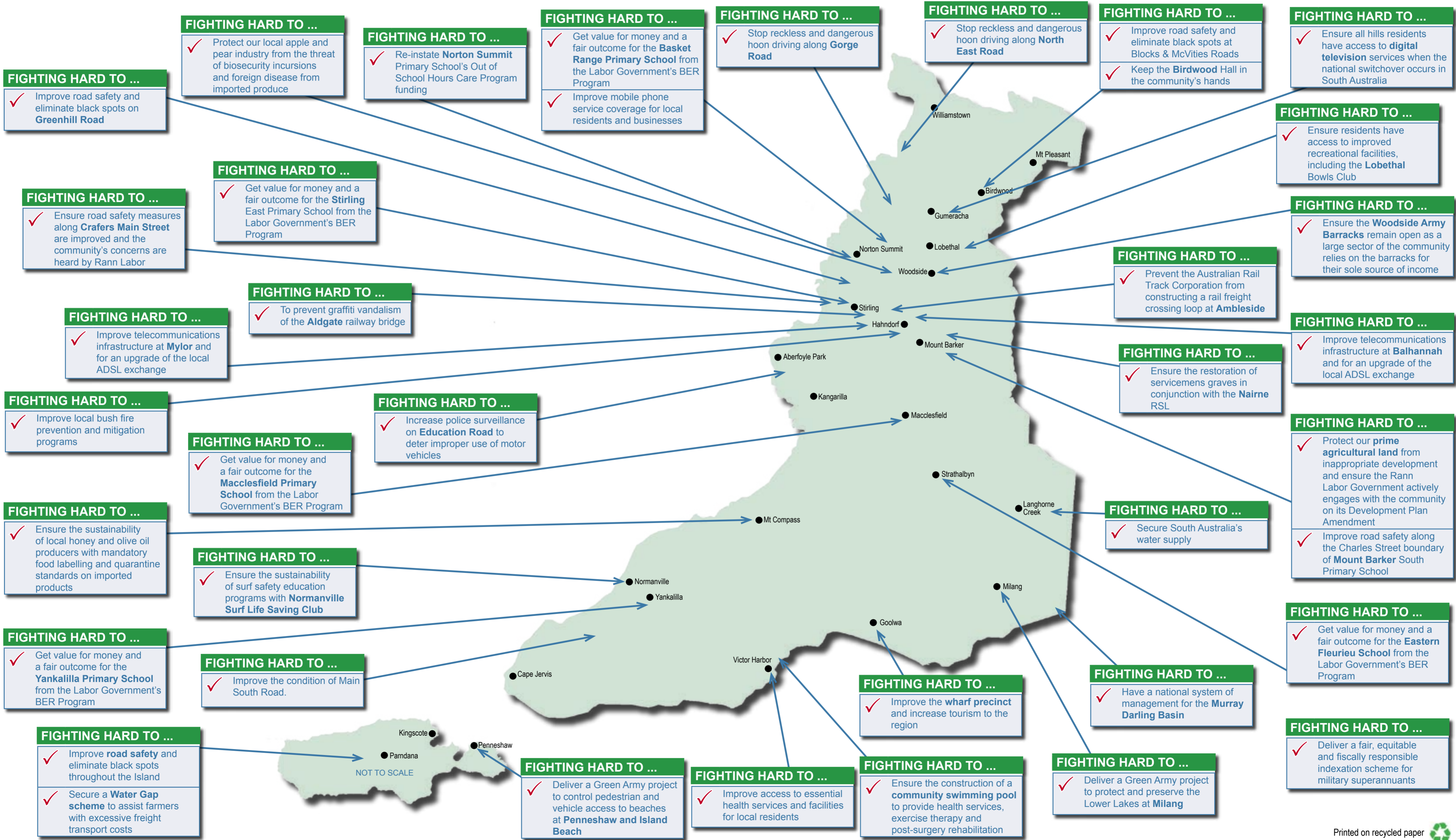




Jamie Briggs MP

Member for Mayo

Fighting for our local community



Continuing to fight for:
Real outcomes that benefit our community.

Apples and Pears

Working with Nick Xenophon I will continue to fight to ensure the **Adelaide Hills Apple and Pear industry** is protected from the threat of biosecurity incursions and foreign disease from imported produce.



The WTO and the Import Risk Assessment Appeals Panel recently handed down decisions to allow the importation of apples from China and New Zealand.

I have written to the Ministers for Agriculture and Trade seeking assurances that the Australian Government is doing all in its power to prevent this from occurring.

I have also publicly spoken against these decisions and lodged a joint Notice of Motion with Nick Xenophon in Parliament demanding the Government take action.

Mount Barker Freeway Interchange

I am committed to a new **freeway interchange at Bald Hills Road**. The State Government development in Mount Barker and Nairne has created serious road congestion and the region's infrastructure is under strain with increased population. The State Labor Government is planning even more development without a plan for this important infrastructure investment. A second interchange would relieve traffic congestion, support sustainable growth and assist the community during times of emergency.

Water Gap Scheme on Kangaroo Island

I will continue to fight to secure a Water Gap or Freight Equalisation scheme for Kangaroo Island. Freight transport costs for Kangaroo Island businesses are significant and put the Island at a significant economic disadvantage when compared to mainland counterparts. Such a scheme would deliver a substantial reduction in the total cost of freight transport for island producers and allow business to flourish.

The Murray Darling Basin

I will continue to fight for a national system of management for the Murray Darling Basin. The reforms announced in 2007 by the Howard Government are vital and must be implemented. The forthcoming Murray Darling Basin plan will be an important step in the long term reform.



If the State Governments continue to refuse to hand over their powers, a Federal Liberal Government will hold a referendum to ensure a truly independent national system of management is established.

Commitment to continue operating the Mayo Mobile Electorate Office.

As part of my role as the Federal Member for Mayo, I believe it is absolutely crucial that I am accessible to all of my constituents, no matter where they live. That's why one of my election commitments was to establish the **"Mobile Electorate Office"**, and I have delivered this promise.

If re-elected, I will continue to regularly travel around Mayo, holding various street corner meetings to discuss any issues that may be of concern to locals. It is vital that I am aware of problems within the electorate so that I can best represent the people of Mayo both at a local level, and in Canberra.

Since being elected, I have held Mobile Electorate Offices at:

- ✓ Williamstown
- ✓ Kingscote
- ✓ Strathalbyn
- ✓ Stirling
- ✓ Victor Harbor
- ✓ Goolwa
- ✓ Lobethal
- ✓ Aberfoyle Park
- ✓ Inglewood
- ✓ Macclesfield
- ✓ Yankalilla
- ✓ Nairne
- ✓ Mount Pleasant
- ✓ Birdwood
- ✓ Mount Compass
- ✓ Kangarilla
- ✓ Mount Barker
- ✓ Woodside.

Some of the issues people have raised with me while out and about in Mayo include: **Digital television** services in Yankalilla and Gumeracha, **inappropriate development** in Mount Barker, **road safety** and the need to eliminate dangerous **black spots**, lack of **broadband infrastructure**, the need for a **freight equalisation** scheme for Kangaroo Island and the deteriorating health of the **Murray-Darling Basin and the Lower Lakes**.

Mayo's Biggest Survey

In May this year I sent every household in the electorate 'Mayo's Biggest Survey' asking what issues are important to you. The response was overwhelming with over four thousand surveys returned so far with more arriving each day. **The feedback has been extremely valuable** and covers a variety of federal, state and local government issues.

A large majority of the surveys raised concerns about inappropriate development, population sustainability, water, addressing the water gap issue on Kangaroo Island, road safety and infrastructure.

I have read every survey and the exercise was overwhelmingly positive. I appreciate very much each person who took the time to fill out and return the survey.



Mobile office in Nairne



Mobile office in Aberfoyle Park



Mobile office in Mount Compass

There is more work to be done.

I am keen to hear your views so please let me know what you would like me to work on in your local area.

You can contact me via:

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Find out what we're fighting for across Mayo

Success for Mayo:
Real outcomes that benefit our community.

Some of our recent community campaign successes include:

Point Sturt Pipeline

Successfully campaigned for a freshwater pipeline to be built at Point Sturt. I called on the Labor Government to provide urgent assistance to the residents of Point Sturt by funding a spur pipeline from the existing Milang-Clayton pipeline. The Federal Government finally recognised the plight of local residents and announced on 14th October 2009 it will provide mains water to the region.



Yankalilla Digital TV

Successfully campaigned with the District Council of Yankalilla for local television receiver towers to be upgraded to digital to ensure residents have access to digital television when the national switchover occurs.

Supporting Local RSL's

Assisted local Returned and Services League Sub-Branches in Strathalbyn, Echunga and Port Elliot receive federal funding to improve club facilities and support the activities of the veteran communities.



Telstra \$2.20 Fee

Successfully ran a local campaign against Telstra's announcement to charge a \$2.20 over-the-counter payment fee to all its customers. On 4th November 2009, Telstra announced its scrapping of the fee.

National Archives

Successfully campaigned against the Labor Government's plans to close the National Archive office in South Australia. The Labor Government back-flipped on their proposal and the SA archives office will remain open.

Bushfire Funding

Successfully campaigned on behalf of the Adelaide Hills Council to receive its full allocation of bushfire funding under the Disaster Resilience Program.



Goolwa Post Office

Assisted Alexandrina Council in negotiations with Australia Post for the purchase of the Goolwa Post Office building to be re-furbished as part of the Council's greater vision for the wharf precinct.

Magill Youth Training Centre

Successfully campaigned against the deplorable condition of the Magill Youth Training Centre in Woodforde and Rann Labor Government's lack of investment in youth corrective services. In September 2009 the State Government bowed to community pressure and committed to building a new facility.

