

Good morning everyone,

Thank you all for attending today.

Firstly, we are here to announce that the Daylight Saving for South East Queensland Party – DS4SEQ, is now officially a Queensland State Political Party, and will be running candidates in the next State election.

DS4SEQ has one simple objective – that is to give the people of South East Queensland what the vast majority of them want – Daylight Saving!

So, to the people of South East Queensland, we say this – “It’s About Time!”
When it comes to the next state election, a vote for us will effectively be ‘your’ referendum on Daylight Saving.

DS4SEQ provides a clear opportunity for people to have a say on daylight saving in South East Queensland.

It is obvious that the current situation is untenable. Both major political parties in Queensland are ignoring the issue, ignoring the needs of business, and ignoring the view of South East Queenslanders.

The dual time zone for Queensland proposed by DS4SEQ is a real alternative that reflects the geographic and demographic diversity of the state. Our proposal is a compromise that respects the needs of regional and rural Queenslanders, while also giving fair consideration to the view of the majority of South East Queensland residents.

DS4SEQ’s political goal is to convince the major parties to change their thinking about Daylight Saving in Queensland, and seriously consider a dual time zone proposal for 6 months of the year. To do this, DS4SEQ will be endorsing candidates to compete in the next State election.

Winning seats in the Queensland State Parliament would give us a genuine political say, and the opportunity to persuade the next State Government to adopt our policy in full. DS4SEQ is a politically responsible Party and would provide co-operation to the Government, whilst promoting the single issue of our Party.

South East Queenslanders are frustrated that neither the Bligh Government, nor the Springborg led Opposition have been prepared to explore options on the issue of Daylight Saving. The idea that it is necessary for all of Queensland to be on one time zone is an argument that we believe is outdated, out of touch and inflexible.

It’s been nearly 17 years since the people of Queensland have had a say on daylight saving, and in this time there has been a major shift in community attitudes, demonstrating an increase in support.

DS4SEQ would welcome discussions with the Premier and the Opposition Leader. To Premier Bligh and Mr Spingborg we say this – “It’s About Time!” – time that you revised your policy on Daylight Saving to adapt to Queensland’s changing landscape; and “It’s About Time!” that serious consideration was given to our dual time zone concept.

We acknowledge that there are many important issues facing the State of Queensland, however, DS4SEQ do not believe that this is a valid reason to ignore the majority voice who support daylight saving.

Daylight saving is a lifestyle and business choice and one that the majority of South East Queenslanders would like to have.

Voting DS4SEQ # 1, will send a clear message to both major parties – and the message is this: When it comes to the issue of Daylight Saving, the people of South East Queensland have been ignored for too long, and a dual time zone must be implemented.

“It’s About Time!” that the people of South East Queensland had a voice on this issue. South East Queensland we ARE your voice – and “It’s About Time!”

Thank you.

Are there any Questions?