

**CHAMBER SURVEY**  
**2011 PROVINCIAL ELECTION**

Survey conducted: August, 2011

84 Survey Responses

**1. Which issues would you like to see the Burlington candidates address during this election campaign?** (Respondents were allowed to choose more than one issue. Numbers represent what percentage of respondents chose that issue.)

Health Care	67.9%
Taxation	60.5%
Provincial Finances	53.1%
Environment	39.5%
Energy	37.0%
Transportation	33.3%
Education	24.7%
Other	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Job's. Job's. Job's plus economy</li> <li>• Tourism funding</li> <li>• free parking sites along Brant and Lakeshore Roads</li> <li>• WHY HAS GAS NOT GONE DOWN 13% TO REFLECT THE HST SAVINGS THAT WERE PROMISED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO BE PASSED ON.</li> <li>• economy stimulation</li> <li>• JBMH</li> <li>• Municipal Infrastructure Renewal Funding (extension of Stimulus Programs?: increasing Gas tax revenue to Municipalities)</li> <li>• Terrible restrictions on compensation for car accident victims</li> <li>• Specifically I would like some feedback on the Melancton Quarry – so far none of the candidates have responded to emails that have been sent about this issue. Also saving the escarpment from the highway that seems to lurk at every turn.</li> </ul>	

**2. Once elected, what should the TOP priority of the new provincial government be?**

Keeping Campaign Promises	28.0%
Provincial Finances	25.6%
Health Care	22.0%
Taxation	9.8%
Energy	6.1%
Environment	3.7%
Education	2.4%
Transportation	2.4%
Other	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• plus job's and taxation</li> <li>• economy stimulation</li> <li>• Thoughtful management of healthcare attempting to flatten healthcare expenditure curve</li> <li>• Restoring the rights of accident victims</li> <li>• Can you add an answer that addresses them actually LISTENING to the public that elected them instead of living in a bubble and doing whatever the hell they want? Campaign promises are such BS.</li> </ul>	

**3. What is the most important LOCAL issue?**

Continued funding for hospital redevelopment	51.2%
Jobs in Burlington	29.3%
Niagara to GTA Highway	19.5%
Other	
· Improved Go Train to Toronto – faster, electrified	
· tightening environment regulations to lower pollution and increasing protected green zones.	
· Gateway highway is a joke driven by vested interests so how could a joke be priority?	
· STOPPING IT from ever happening.	

**4. Regarding the proposed Niagara to GTA Highway (and ignoring the highway route for this question), the proposed Niagara to GTA Highway needs to be built to improve transportation in the region.**

Disagree Strongly	9.5%
Disagree	20.2%
Agree	32.1%
Agree Strongly	31.0%
Don't Know	7.1%

**5. Regarding the proposed ROUTES for the Niagara to GTA Highway, which is your preferred route??**

Connect with the 403 west of Hamilton	41.3%
Connect with the 407 in Burlington	30.7%
Connect with the 401 near Highway 6	28.0%

**6. Regarding the proposed Niagara to GTA highway, how do you feel about the ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT of the highway?**

The highway can cross the escarpment if necessary but minimize the environmental impact	45.8%
The highway should not cross Niagara Escarpment lands	41.0%
Use whatever route is most efficient for transportation	13.3%

**7. When you vote, which is your top voting priority?**

Party Policies	56.6%
Local Candidates	18.1%
Party	15.7%
Party Leader	9.6%

**8. For which party will you vote in the October 6 election?**

Progressive Conservative Party	40.5%
Liberal Party	13.1%
New Democratic Party	2.4%
I don't know yet	32.1%
I'm not telling	11.9%
I won't be voting	0%