
Goodbye Em, Hello Claire.

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Hello Edward

Today is my last day with Prosper. Back in 2015, Karl Fitzgerald suggested that I apply for the part-time role as office manager at the think-tank he was running. I was in the middle of a Master's degree in Urban Planning with a couple of kids who needed ferrying to and from kindergarten. To this day, my kids (now in high school) think my job is collecting rezoning taxes. I wish!

Over the past 8 years, Prosper has offered me opportunities and experiences far beyond what I could have imagined. Not least, being entrusted to lead our band of policy wonks and Georgist propagators.

Highlights: Getting Ross Garnaut upstairs for the 132nd Henry George Dinner, and Danielle Wood fixing the powerpoint at the 131st. Nerding out with Jesse Hermans in the Harcourt Street office. Asking Tim Helm and Cameron Murray to 'explain that to me again' in various locations. Connecting the dots with Karl Fitzgerald. Watching the Tax Shift campaign spring from the mind of Lucy Allan, and many many more.

I have been deeply inspired by the personal commitment and conscientiousness of colleagues on the Executive Committee who have shown me incredible support, while always prioritising the primary purpose and mission of the organisation.

I am leaving Prosper in the incredibly capable hands of [Claire Leach](#), who takes over as General Manager from April. Claire is a seasoned manager, fundraiser, and entrepreneur. She has been volunteering with the organisation since 2023, taking the reins of our advocacy around vacant homes. Alongside [Rayna Fahey](#) and [Tim Helm](#), I am sure Prosper will continue to 'kick torps.'

I will continue to serve the movement as a trustee of the Henry George Foundation of Australia. Otherwise, you'll find me in my new role as a strategic planner at Uralla Shire Council.

To Prosper's supporters and friends, thank you for all the incredible conversations. Please stay in touch.



The Prosper Australia team had a remarkable month

Our [latest report](#) has been gaining plenty of attention (especially in the ACT since we told them they are “best-in-class”!) and generating fascinating conversations amongst academics, journalists, and the general public.

Of particular note, the last [Sunday column from Gareth Hutchens](#) has sparked great interest in our work. A warm welcome to all our new subscribers who have joined this week.

We are thrilled to see the debate around tax reform heading in a more mature direction as advocates for tax reform increase daily.

Our [tax shift proposal](#) continues to resonate with organisations across all sectors. We have yet to find anyone who disagrees with the need to make substantial changes to the way we tax in Australia.

If you are interested in having a conversation about how our tax shift proposals will impact your business or organisation, please get in touch. We’d love to chat.



Last week our team was in Canberra presenting our tax shift proposals to a range of stakeholders across the decision-making matrix.

The key event of our trip was a Tax Shift Briefing for Parliamentarians. The event was co-hosted by independent MP Allegra Spender. The parliamentary agenda for the evening took away many of our RSVPs (it happens!) Regardless, we had a very interesting audience and our team gained some fascinating insights into the current political climate.

Alongside the Parliament House event, we met with other politicians, journalists, academics, and bureaucrats. A busy week indeed!

It was also worthwhile to get a reminder of just how busy our federal parliament is. So many competing issues and perspectives. It reinforced to us all just how important it is for our small team to keep working smarter, not harder.

From the team at Prosper, we wish you all a safe and happy Easter.

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