

# Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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<b>COUNCIL</b>	Ballarat City Council 2024
<b>WARD</b> (if applicable)	Brown Hill Ward
<b>CANDIDATE'S NAME</b> (as on ballot paper)	BURNS, Ellen

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (*maximum 50 words*)  
 My vision for Brown Hill ward is a connected community where everyone can thrive. We need a council that advocates equitable investment and sustainable development across wards, tackles cost of living issues and takes action to improve our waste systems.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?  
*Provide details (maximum 50 words)*  
 My broad and practical experience includes running a small business for a decade, co-founding Hidden Orchard, workshop and event management, and involvement in volunteer groups, boards and advisory groups. I am experienced in project management, finance, communication and public speaking, and managing large teams.

Have you read the current Council Plan for the council named above?	Yes
Have you read the current Councillor Code of Conduct for the council named above?	Yes
Are you endorsed by a registered political party? <small><b>Note:</b> Registered political party has the same meaning as in Part 4 of the Electoral Act 2002.        If yes, provide the name of the registered political party.</small>	Yes
Are you currently a Councillor?	No
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office? <small><b>Note:</b> Council meetings means Council meetings referred to in section 61 of the Local Government Act 2020 but does not include meetings held for which a Councillor has been granted leave from attending by the Council.</small>	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> ellen.burns@vic.greens.org.au	

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