

# Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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<b>COUNCIL</b>	East Gippsland Shire Council 2024
<b>WARD</b> (if applicable)	East Gippsland Shire Council
<b>CANDIDATE'S NAME</b> (as on ballot paper)	ASHWORTH, Jodie

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (*maximum 50 words*)  
 My vision is for a safe, thriving & sustainable future created through consultation. Communities are connected and supported, infrastructure is accessible, business innovation provides strong growth & economic development. Evidence based & ethical decision making that is transparent with good governance and strong financial management.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?  
*Provide details (maximum 50 words)*  
 As an experienced business owner and leader in community service organisations, I understand the importance of supporting & advocating for community. I am highly qualified in business, management, finance, local government leadership & governance. I have strong communication skills & understand community dynamics to navigate and problem solve complex issues.

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>	No
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> Email: jodie4eastgippslandshire@gmail.com Phone: 0494 164 427 www.jodieashworth.au	

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