## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Darebin City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	West Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	NEWTON, Susanne

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (maximum 50 words)

Everyone can safely walk, wheel, cycle or catch public transport. High quality, comfortable, sustainable, affordable homes. Nature flourishes, open space and adventurous playgrounds are close to home. Streets are alive with businesses, character, nightlife & fresh, affordable food. Your workplace and everything you need is within 20 minutes of home.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor? *Provide details (maximum 50 words)* 

I'm Mayor of Darebin, representing Preston and Reservoir as your Councillor for eight years. I'm an Australian Institute of Company Directors graduate. My driving force is fairness and equality. Now I'm raising my toddler son in Darebin, my drive for a better world and society is stronger than ever.

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?  Note: 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.  Australian Greens	Yes
Are you currently a Councillor?	Yes
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office?  Note: 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.	>90%

What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? Provide details

My phone number is 0466 400 778 and email susanne.newton@vic.greens.org.au.

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