## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Warrnambool City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Russells Creek Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	BLAIN, Ben

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? *(maximum 50 words)* I want see Warrnambool as one the most livable cities in regional Victoria being a destination to live, work, play and visit. As the major regional city in the South West we continue to lead the region to deliver for our needs.

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

I am a small business owner, a councillor and Mayor. I have built relationships with the other councillors, State and Federal Government to Advocate on behalf of our city. Also this term I have undertaken extra training completing the AICD course this term to strengthen my governance skills for council.

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? <b>Note:</b> <i>Registered political party has the same meaning as in Part 4 of the Electoral Act 2002.</i> If yes, provide the name of the registered political party.	No
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)? <i>Provide details</i> Email Bblain3280@gmail.com	

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