

# Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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<b>COUNCIL</b>	Casey City Council 2024
<b>WARD</b> (if applicable)	Akoonah Ward
<b>CANDIDATE'S NAME</b> (as on ballot paper)	FERDINANDS, Patrick R.

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

My vision is to build a vibrant, inclusive community where innovation and sustainability drive progress, and every citizen has a voice and a stake in shaping our shared future. A vibrant community is one where residents are active and involved. Inclusivity ensures all residents have access to opportunities and resources.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?

*Provide details (maximum 50 words)*

My background as a prosecutor and lawyer provides me with critical skills in analysis, advocacy, and negotiation. These competencies enable me to address community concerns effectively, craft sound policies, and represent diverse interests impartially, ensuring fair and strategic decision-making in my role as a Councillor.

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> 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.	No
Are you currently a Councillor?	No
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office? <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.	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> Email: admin@ferdinandslegal.com.au Mobile phone: 0418 539 800	

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