## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Banyule City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Bakewell Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	HIRD, Stephen

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? *(maximum 50 words)* My vision for Bakewell is efficient budget management practices and exploring cost saving measures, making sure rates are spent wisely. Support local businesses to help them thrive in our community. I will monitor North East Link closely to make sure they are transparent and accountable.

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

I believe my experience running a local business for over 20 years and also proudly volunteering for local schools and sporting clubs over the last 25 years has shown me how special our community is.

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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?	No
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.	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> P.O. Box 59 Greensborough 3088 stephenhird23@gmail.com	

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