## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Strathbogie Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Strathbogie Shire Council
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	BILLINGS, Jim

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? *(maximum 50 words)* My vision for the Strathbogie Shire is to retain the natural beauty of the region, To support, serve and strengthen communities so that they are respectful, optimistic and inclusive. My vision focuses on the wellbeing of all with a Council that strives to be competent fair and just.

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

I have 42+ years experience in education. My roles have included School Principal, Director of Welfare and Education, House Head and Head of Indigenous Residential Program, I was Chair of a Special School Council eight years. I have initiated and managed many programs being responsible for budget and staff management.

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> James Billings 1897 Tarcombe Rd. Avenel 3664 email: jimrbillings2@gmail.com Phone 0433 270 101		

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