

Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Banyule City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Olympia Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	O'KANE, Mary

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (*maximum 50 words*)
 I envision Banyule as a thriving, inclusive community that promotes sustainable growth while reducing socio-economic disadvantage. We meet housing demands with quality, diverse developments, well-located community infrastructure and effective transport options. The potential of our green spaces is maximised while our environmental footprint minimised. Local governance is innovative and accountable.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?
Provide details (maximum 50 words)
 With a background in advocacy, research, and human rights, I excel in collaborating with diverse stakeholders towards common goals. My skills in analysis, big-picture thinking and active listening enable me to address complex issues empathetically and pragmatically. Customer service roles in large and small businesses have honed my problem-solving capabilities.

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? <small>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.</small>	No
Are you currently a Councillor?	No
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office? <small>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.</small>	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> Phone: 0480739173 Email: mary.okane01@outlook.com Facebook: @maryokaneforolympia	

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