Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Ballarat City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Delacombe Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	VELAGALA, Kalyan

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

1) Citizen Engagement: Encouraging active participation from residents in decision-making 2) Community Well-Being: Prioritize health and happiness of residents. 3) Economic Growth: Focus on local economy with opportunities for all residents. 4) Inclusivity and Equity: Ensuring all residents have equal access to resources. 5) Infrastructure and Innovation, Safety and Resilience.

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

I have professional experience in the following attributes: - 1) Leadership skills, 2) Communication skills, 3) Problem Solving, 4) Teamwork, 5) Knowledge of Best Practices, 6) Strategic Thinking, 7) Adaptability. These would help in understanding community issues, developing effective policies, and working collaboratively with other council members.

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? 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.	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)? Provide details	'

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