

Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Merri-bek City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Pentridge Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	ANDREWARTHA, Jacob

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (*maximum 50 words*)
 My vision is of a democratic council that works for residents, not against them. It must do the basics right. It must help the most vulnerable by doing all it can to help with affordable housing and providing services. It must also stand up for human rights and climate action.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?
Provide details (maximum 50 words)
 I believe the skills I have gained in communication and community development coming from my experience running a holiday club program for school-aged children, and my involvement in community campaigns such as defending public housing and climate justice will greatly assist with undertaking my role as a elected 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? <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> Email: melbourne@socialist-alliance.org Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/jacoba_merribek/ Phone number: 0458 958 385	

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