## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Mitchell Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	South Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	SINGH, Akashdeep

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? *(maximum 50 words)* Reduce council rates to ease financial burdens. Establish a new secondary school and additional primary schools. Introduce a bus route connecting Wallan, Beveridge, and Craigieburn. Develop a diamond interchange to alleviate Northern Highway congestion. Address youth issues and increase activities for kids and teens. Expand local celebrations and community events.

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

With extensive experience in the rail industry, I offer problem-solving skills, infrastructure knowledge, and project management expertise. Inspired by my family's social justice legacy, I am dedicated to local issues. As a Victorian Socialists member, I benefit from strong support and leadership in effectively initiating and advocating for community needs.

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.	Yes
Victorian Socialists	
Are you currently a Councillor?	No
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office?	
<b>Note:</b> 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> 33 watergum way, wallan 0448282067 akashdeep.singh@victoriansoc	ialists.org.au

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