

# Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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<b>COUNCIL</b>	Merri-bek City Council 2024
<b>WARD</b> (if applicable)	Box Forest Ward
<b>CANDIDATE'S NAME</b> (as on ballot paper)	ELMUSTAPHA, Mohamad

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (*maximum 50 words*)  
 My vision for Merri-Bek City Council is to create a thriving, inclusive community. I will focus on economic growth, safety, and enhancing infrastructure, particularly in transportation and healthcare. I am committed to ensuring everyone feels valued and has equal opportunities, building a resilient and united Merri-Bek for the future.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?  
*Provide details (maximum 50 words)*  
 I have strong community engagement, leadership, and problem-solving skills. My experience in local business development enables me to drive economic growth and job creation. I am committed to inclusivity, ensuring all voices are heard, and my focus on safety and infrastructure will enhance the quality of life for Merri-Bek residents.

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><b>Note:</b> 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><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.</small>	

What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? *Provide details*  
 You can contact me by phone at 0421 047 865 or via email at mohamadelmustapha@hotmail.com. I'm also active on social media—connect with me on Facebook at Mohamad El Mustapha or Twitter at @moe\_melb. I welcome your thoughts and look forward to working together for Merri-Bek.

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