## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Surf Coast Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Otway Range Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	GAZZARD, Kate

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

A healthy community in which people, wildlife, land, waterways and oceans thrive. A Council who provide appropriate advocacy around important issues, support for the most vulnerable, affordable housing, funding for creative arts and culture, environmental protection and climate change mitigation, and walking with First Nations people toward a better future.

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

As your current Greens councillor, I have a proven track record of delivering for our community. As a mum and a doctor, I care about the health of children, community and the planet, ensuring everyone has what they need, protecting the environment and continuing to fight for climate action.

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.  Australian Greens	Yes
Are you currently a Councillor?	Yes
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office?	75 – 90%
<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)? Provide details

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