

# Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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<b>COUNCIL</b>	Merri-bek City Council 2024
<b>WARD</b> (if applicable)	Bulleke-bek Ward
<b>CANDIDATE'S NAME</b> (as on ballot paper)	BASSINI, Louisa

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

The council should be democratic, accountable and responsive to the needs of the community. It should effectively balance a range of interests to pursue a fairer, more livable Brunswick that puts the needs of ordinary people above those of developers and investors, and represents local people at a state level.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?

*Provide details (maximum 50 words)*

I've been a local community activist for more than 20 years around issues such as housing, refugee rights and racism, so I understand how to build and support community campaigns. Being a parent, an avid cyclist and environmentalist also informs my perspective and I genuinely care about people's concerns.

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? <b>Note:</b> <i>Registered political party has the same meaning as in Part 4 of the Electoral Act 2002.</i> If yes, provide the name of the registered political party.	Yes
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> <i>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.</i>	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i>	

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