Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Glenelg Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Glenelg Shire Council
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	PICARD, Mary

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

To bring together our different communities and business sectors to build a clear, agreed, picture of how and where we want to develop, and what we value most, including our environment. To build on the existing local economy and strong communities to grow sustainably into areas like renewable energy, eco-tourism.

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

I have legal training to postgraduate level and practised law in Melbourne, as well as a strong background in policy and advocacy. My international work in climate change and disaster resilience means I bring a fresh perspective to local sustainability and gender equality. I also have specific skills in facilitation.

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.	No
Are you currently a Councillor?	No
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office?	
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.	

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What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? Provide details

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