Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Stonnington City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Orrong Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	PATEN, Arkie

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (maximum 50 words) We're a community that cares about people, our local environment and the planet. My vision is to continue building a safe, supportive, vibrant and diverse community by delivering the infrastructure and services we all need to thrive.

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

As an artist, I think creatively to find solutions, and I understand complex decisions require nuance and thinking outside of the box. As a hospitality worker, I know how to listen and negotiate with people from all backgrounds. I'll bring these skills to the role of councillor.

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	
Australian Greens		
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.		
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> If you'd like to get in contact, please don't hesitate! You can email me at arkie.paten@vic.greens.org.au, or send me a message on Instagram or Facebook, @ArkiePatenGreens.		

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