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)	BODSWORTH, Mike

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

Places and communities with their own distinct local character and voices but a sense of shared values, fairness and common purpose. Healthy natural environments and unspoiled landscapes. Neighbourhoods and public facilities that support healthy, happy, active living across generations. A strong, sustainable economy with local flavour. A cooperative, energetic culture.

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

54 years' life experience, 17 as a parent. A proven record on Council. Degrees in Planning and Design, Landscape Architecture and 20 years' professional experience on public land, including on the Surf Coast. Australian Institute of Company Directors graduate. Open minded, calm, compassionate. Strategic thinker and careful, principled decision maker.

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?	Yes
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office?	>90%
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)? *Provide details* Phone 0408101414. Email mikebods@yahoo.com.au

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