

Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Gannawarra Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Gannawarra Shire Council
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	SMITH, Garner J

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (*maximum 50 words*)
 Gannawarra's strengths are agriculture, water and attractive, affordable towns. The needs are Cohuna childcare and pool, Koondrook sealed roads and Kerang drainage. Smaller towns need to maintain their services to keep and attract people. VNI west and renewables are detrimental unless Gannawarra got the electricity at the feed in price.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?
Provide details (maximum 50 words)
 I am from a Leitchville dairy farm. I have a Melbourne University Commerce degree (Honours), economics major, accounting and contract law. I coordinated National Party policy development. Roads and Ports Ministerial Advisor. A local business owner for 28 years, beef farmer, VFF water committee member and raised a family.

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? <small>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.</small>	No
Are you currently a Councillor?	Yes
If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office? <small>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.</small>	>90%
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> email: garnersmithcouncil@gmail.com mobile: 0418 871 054	

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