Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Frankston City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Ballam Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	HUGHES, Steven

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

Frankston council is not a people's democracy but rather a bureaucratic fiefdom. Almost one hundred percent of recommendations proposed by the bureaucracy are approved by councillors even when they run counter to the will of the people. This council group has failed Frankston residents. It's time residents were represented properly.

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

As an accountant I'm appalled by Frankston's extortionate rates. We pay 100% higher rates than Toorak yet earn only half the income. This is scandalously cruel especially considering the current cost-of-living crisis. Our rates are so unreasonably high because council spends millions on things you don't want or need.

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.	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i>	

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