Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Brimbank City Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Horseshoe Bend Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	MELHEM, Lina

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

I envision a progressive, family-friendly Brimbank with improved infrastructure, safer streets, better parks, and greener spaces. I aim to support families through rate freezes, increased childcare options, and safer school zones, creating a thriving community where everyone can flourish.

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

As a long-time resident, mother, grandmother, and local business owner, I understand the community's needs. My experience running a school canteen and managing a business has given me strong problem-solving skills and the ability to listen, advocate, and work hard for local families and businesses.

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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