## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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COUNCIL	Colac Otway Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Colac Otway Shire Council
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	FINNIGAN, Tosh-Jake

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

Council needs to cut waste and go back to basics. We're \$5.3m in deficit, and staffing costs equal 90.2% of rate revenue. This isn't sustainable! Focus on good roads, rubbish collection, and parks. Cut red tape in planning and work with businesses so the whole community can prosper.

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

In addition to serving the past 18 months on council, I run a small business, and have experience serving on advisory boards. I am acutely aware of how the council organisation works, and know how to get the best out of council and work to limit its excesses.

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%
<b>Note:</b> 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*Email: tosh@toshcomusic.com Mobile: 0487 221 504 Facebook: Tosh-Jake Finnigan

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