

Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Yarra Ranges Shire Council 2024
WARD (if applicable)	Chandler Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	WARD, Gareth

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

My vision for our municipality includes transparent governance, ensuring residents can easily access assistance, protecting our natural beauty, and improving liveability. This means better access to digital services, disaster resilience, and maintaining our roads and health services to create a thriving, accessible, and sustainable community for all.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor?

Provide details (maximum 50 words)

Living and running a small business in the Yarra Ranges, I have a profound connection to our community. Having previously run for state election, I gained a deep understanding of government roles and procedures. I'm passionate about making a positive impact, making me a strong candidate for local councillor.

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: <i>Registered political party has the same meaning as in Part 4 of the Electoral Act 2002.</i> 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: <i>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.</i>	
What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? <i>Provide details</i> Email: hello@garethward.com.au Phone or Text: 0494 169 026	

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