

COUNCIL CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE North East Ward

Note: All information received has been copied verbatim into the tables.

| Name | Q1. The City of Frankston declared a Climate Emergency in November 2019. What do you see as Council's role in mitigating Climate Change? |
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| KAPP, Parker | |
| ASKER, David | |
| KAY, Henryk | Whilst I support this it should have incorporated into the city's Emergency management plan by doing this it would help the community better understand the issue |
| JOHNSTONE, Jay | |
| HARBECK, Geoffrey | |
| TAYLER, Suzette | |
| RENDELL, Richard | I see council's role in mitigation climate change by trying to purchase environmentally equipment and implementing environmentally friendly policies. |
| PHILIP, Prasad | |
| CONROY, Nathan | |
| OSBORNE, Shane | |
| KENT, Karan | <p>The City of Frankston declared a Climate Emergency in November 2019. What do you see as Council's role in mitigating Climate Change?</p> <p>Frankston City Council declared a Climate of Emergency thereby acknowledging an understanding of the climate crisis we are facing and making a formal commitment to move and act for change within the frameworks of local government</p> <p>There are numerous roles Council can play within its core business to mitigating climate change:</p> <p>Internal - Leading by example ensuring council is environmentally friendly in all their business actions such as, fleets of cars, waste management, staff travel use of public transport, council owned buildings, heating and cooling systems, use of solar panels/ water tanks/ lighting systems etc also power saving systems to office equipment, computers printers etc.</p> <p>Community of practice - advocating environmentally friendly practices to communities, once more beginning in their council owned buildings, with community groups and broadening the scope across all of community promoting and advertising at every opportunity whilst supporting and promoting environmental groups and sharing the wisdom and knowledge of their works.</p> <p>Business advice - Promote rewards / incentive programs for business to encourage environmentally friendly best practice - no plastic bags / food sharing / waste reduction</p> <p>Street gardens/ food trails/Expos- Plant edible foods and garden beds in city streets and or specific areas/ Annual community events showcasing global to local impacts and practical ways for community and individuals to be the change</p> <p>Peak Bodies - Lobby, advocate and be advised on State and Federal Government Climate Change advisory boards ensuring availability to current information and best practice is maintained if not exceeded locally</p> <p>Grants programs -Availability of community/ business funds to support delivery of climate change programs and activities</p> <p>Policy development – ensuring all council policies / strategies / plans etc are embedded with an outline of mitigation to changing climate summery/commitment</p> |
| HAMPTON, Colin | |
| SINGH, Rupinder | |

| Name | Q2. Are you aware of Frankston Council's environmental policies and strategies, including the GWMP? If so, please list and comment on the ones you have looked at and considered. |
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| ASKER, David | |
| KAY, Henryk | i am full aware of the policies and feel that this city must protect the green Wedge this would help give residents more open spaces where possible |
| JOHNSTONE, Jay | |
| HARBECK, Geoffrey | |
| TAYLER, Suzette | |
| RENDELL, Richard | Yes I am aware of it and in general I think it is a good plan in general. Naturally I am interested in the Skye area as it is my suburb. I like the semi rural feel to it. |
| PHILIP, Prasad | |
| CONROY, Nathan | |
| OSBORNE, Shane | |
| KENT, Karan | Having worked at FCC for a number of years until around 2010, I was somewhat aware of a number of environmental policies and staff champions across the organisation at the time, so I'm keen to update on how they have moved forward in the past 10 years. I'm also aware of the Green Wedge particularly in its original form when developed back in the late 1990s early 2000s as the ambitious Melbourne 2030 plan. Glancing through the GWMP I see the tensions and appreciate the complexities for the land use forms within the GW area and to the sides, however my first consideration is to the cultural heritage of the lands in question. The GWMP refers to the Traditional Custodians (TCs) only in the terms of hunters and gathers of the area, it fails to mention the scientists, the environmentalists, the water managers, the marine biologist, the builders, the farmers and the agriculturalist etc. This area has a rich pre colonisation history that has already been destroyed through growth and development here is an opportunity to harness the remnants and uncover our collective story before next steps and stages can be considered in detail. |
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| SINGH, Rupinder | |

| Name | Q3. Please list and comment on the Natural Reserves that you are familiar with, and visit periodically. What natural values do they have? |
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| KAPP, Parker | |
| ASKER, David | |
| KAY, Henryk | pinus flora & Fauna & Sweetwater creek which need to be properly maintained and protected |
| JOHNSTONE, Jay | |
| HARBECK, Geoffrey | |
| TAYLER, Suzette | |
| RENDELL, Richard | I am aware of the reserves in the Frankston area. I visit the Pines Flora and fauna reserve and Langwarrin Flora and Fauna and reserve is my favourite. I have been going to the pines reserve for the last few weeks because of the 5 klm covid restrictions. |
| PHILIP, Prasad | |
| CONROY, Nathan | |
| OSBORNE, Shane | |
| KENT, Karan | I'm familiar with several reserves however the handful regularly visited are; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pines Nature reserve - best park, complimented by tracks hooking onto Peninsula link trails and McClelland Road with its new paved pathway a great walking/bike trail with extensions for all fitness levels. The birdlife is ever changing around the creek and dam, the seasonal flora is an extra bonus. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Langwarrin Park - this is a great winter walking trail that we regularly frequent, amazing show of wildlife just after dawn with ever changing native flower species - great signage of the history and variety of tracks. Seaford beach – A refreshing off season go too place with the bonus beach café and public toilets. space to share and practice my business of Aboriginal Yoga on the beach McClelland Gallery and Park – A small hideaway with an unexpected abundance of wildlife dependant on time of day this complimented by the sculpture park make for an ideal weekday spontaneous place of difference |
| HAMPTON, Colin | |
| SINGH, Rupinder | |

| Name | Q4. What other environmental facilities is Frankston Council responsible for, and how are they run? |
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| KAPP, Parker | |
| ASKER, David | |
| KAY, Henryk | Langwarrin Flora & Fauna this needs to be properly maintained and also improved with regards to bushfire management |
| JOHNSTONE, Jay | |
| HARBECK, Geoffrey | |
| TAYLER, Suzette | |
| RENDELL, Richard | I am aware of 10 policies and plans. The details of which can be found on the website strategies and guidelines. |
| PHILIP, Prasad | |
| CONROY, Nathan | |
| OSBORNE, Shane | |
| KENT, Karan | <p>No answer provided Council has a responsibility to many environmental facilities across the City from waste, roads, paths, drainage etc, some services operate externally to council on contracted basis and others within council departments The Recycle centre off Ballarto Road, as the name states a central location for all of Council recycling waste with opportunities to sell on products and second-hand materials,</p> <p>Council also has responsibility to Frankston Lifesaving club rooms that support the beach safety of residents, both piers at Frankston and Seaford, public toilets, beach car parks, to the many local parks and gardens, sporting grounds, BBQs, drinking fountains and all the facilities that go within and around a given facility area. Some facilities are run through volunteer clubs, committee of management, and or within council departments or within collaboration of external peak bodies</p> |
| HAMPTON, Colin | |
| SINGH, Rupinder | |

| Name | Q5. What do you understand about the management and maintenance of our natural reserves, and the relationship with other bodies? |
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| KAPP, Parker | |
| ASKER, David | |
| KAY, Henryk | these reserves are jointly managed by the council and parks Victoria |
| JOHNSTONE, Jay | |
| HARBECK, Geoffrey | |
| TAYLER, Suzette | |
| RENDELL, Richard | The council works with other stake holders in particular relevant state government departments. |

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| KENT, Karan | Natural reserves are often located on Crown land and or parcels of land owned by other governing bodies not always council and creating the need for collaboration between appropriate Council staff and the staff from numerous other bodies such as Parks Victoria/ South East Water etc. Management and Maintenance plans require clearly stated boundaries ensuring any delineation from full cover responsibility is understood to ensure the reserve is cared for and maintained in an appropriate manner to which it has been identified. |
| HAMPTON, Colin | |
| SINGH, Rupinder | |

| Name | Q6. How important do you think the natural environment is for the well-being of residents? Do you think this is an area Councillors can make a difference, and how? |
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| KAPP, Parker | |
| ASKER, David | |
| KAY, Henryk | These are important and need to be properly managed so that residents and visitors can enjoy them |
| JOHNSTONE, Jay | |
| HARBECK, Geoffrey | |
| TAYLER, Suzette | |
| RENDELL, Richard | The natural environment is very important for the well being of residents because people like a break from urban sites and smells. It is very good for your mental health. This is an area Councillors can make a difference because they can oppose the sale or urbanisation of such places |
| PHILIP, Prasad | |
| CONROY, Nathan | |
| OSBORNE, Shane | |
| KENT, Karan | Without doubt the natural environment is vitally important to resident's wellbeing and there is much research and studies that have been done to demonstrate people's health and wellbeing on multiple levels when exposed to the natural environment. Businesses such as Forest Therapy Victoria, Yimba Yumba, Wayapa Wuurrk have all grown and are flourishing through understanding the value and importance of reconnecting people to the earth and our natural environment, added to this fishing, golfing, bike riding, walking, surfing all interests so many people thrive on as a means of social interaction, enjoyment or physical activity. Councils role can make a difference by ensuring the public safety of our local parks reserve and bushlands are maintained and environmental impacts are safeguarded so everyone can engage in the recreational enjoyment |
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| SINGH, Rupinder | |