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**CUNIAL,
Brian**

I am a passionate local resident who cares about our community and its future wellbeing. I am a Policeman, married with three adult children, and a proud grandfather. Born and raised in Frankston, I attended Frankston Primary and Frankston High School. I have lived and worked in this vibrant municipality all my life. I enthusiastically seek re-election for South Ward, Frankston City which I have proudly represented since 2008, serving as Mayor (2012) and Deputy Mayor (2010). I wish to continue our work together and renew my commitment to cut Council expenses. Ratepayers deserve better value for their rates. I will continue to work on improving local infrastructure, sporting and community facilities, roads and footpaths; and will work hard to ensure all members of our community feel supported, included and cared for with the implementation of relevant and cost-effective Council services. I am committed to working towards a safer, sustainable and liveable Frankston City. Please Vote 1 Brian Cunial, I would greatly appreciate your support. I ask that you also support the following excellent candidates and Vote 2 Quinn McCormack; and Vote 3 Suzie Zagami. Remember to number all of the remaining boxes in number order as you see fit.

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**TAYLER,
Suzette**

I love Frankston and it has been a privilege serving our community as your ward Councillor for nearly 10 years. I have worked hard, honestly and ethically for our community. As a Councillor I have worked alongside businesses - sporting clubs - youth groups - community groups - elderly citizens - environmental groups and council officers to bring the best results for residents. My family have lived in Frankston since 1957 and I work as a Senior Property and Business Development Manager in Frankston which allows me to view first hand local issues that affect our families. Over the next 4 years when elected I will dedicate myself along with council to deliver to residents the community and council vision. Keeping council rates to a minimum, maintaining and create better sporting facilities for our children. Making better decisions with the help of community consultation that changes residents way of living. Deliver planning frameworks that protect and enhance heritage, unique characteristic, neighbourhood character and the environment of Frankston City. Manage council assets ensuring the organisation is financially viable. Demonstrate commitment to an open and accountable democratically elected government. To lobby Federal and State government for funding where needed. Vote 1 Suzette Tayler. Vote 2 Darrel Taylor.

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**TOMS,
Steve**

A New Voice For Frankston Vote 1 Steve Toms South Ward. My name is Steve Toms and I am 27 years old. I am one of your local independent candidate's in the Council Election for Frankston City. I would be honored to be your new voice on Frankston council. I believe we need & deserve someone on Frankston Council that truly listens to your views and concerns and acts on them. My agenda is to advocate for lower council rates and sustainable spending, stopping inappropriate over development, actively engage with our local Youth, support Small Business & local jobs & protect the environment. I have lived in Frankston for over 20 years and been involved in local community groups, organizations and sporting clubs over that time (St John's Ambulance, Headspace and Frankston Dolphins) I have also worked as an State Electorate officer, Dental Nurse and in administration. I currently work at the Salvation Army in Customer Service. We have a lot to be proud of as residents of Frankston City but I believe things can be even better if I am given the chance to be your voice on council. Email: stevetoms166@gmail.com Phone: 0477677747 Facebook: @TomsForSouthWard



**SMITH,
Samantha**

"After 40 years of living here, I still find Frankston refreshing, reviving and filled with energy," says Sam. "I'd love to be the next catalyst to steamroll further positive change particularly in parks and sporting facilities." A keen cyclist and triathlon enthusiast, the outdoors is a passion. She's tireless, willingly volunteering to umpire or coach, and is a permanent fixture for a local schools specialist sporting team. Working as an education facilitator with children and now adults for the Department of Education and Training, how does she manage, with 4 children, a husband and a job? "Its like juggling slippery glass domes ... be nimble, quick and careful" she smiles. With 18 years in the veterinary industry, and later her own canine behavioural business, she's a communicator. "When training animals, you train owners - all types - similar people dealings happen in education," she says. She's practical, and a people person believing in responsible spending of ratepayers money, enhancing the central precinct, improving parking, local beautification, and in small business promotion. That big heart wants to play a large role in our community wellbeing projects, too. Could she do it all? As they say if you want something done, ask a busy person.



**SWAIN,
Jeanette**

As a Frankston resident and endorsed Greens candidate, I'll be a strong voice for sustainability and inclusivity. I grew up here, raised my children locally and have lived in the area for most of my life. I want to protect our natural environment and ensure Frankston's growth is sustainable and development is guided by the needs of the community. I'm standing for the Greens because they share my vision for the environment and grassroots democracy grounded in social justice. I have chaired government boards and bring skills in change management, education and environmental policy and planning. I'm passionate about sustainable planning and want to see Frankston Council make strong decisions as our population grows. If elected I'll work to keep development appropriate and community-focused. I'll make sure our community infrastructure keeps up with population growth by improving access to public transport, cycling paths, recreational facilities and affordable housing. For more information visit <http://greens.org.au/candidate/vic/jeanette-swain>. Vote [1] Jeanette Swain for an inclusive community where everybody has a voice.



**TAYLOR,
Darrel**

Over the last 4 years It has been an honour to serve the South Ward and Frankston as a Councillor and as Mayor in 2014. During this time, I have worked hard to deliver for the South Ward especially pushing for a New War Memorial now located in Beauty Park. My family have been in Frankston since the early pioneers, have run businesses here, seen Frankston prosper and really understand the potential of the city. Frankston City Council has \$1.5b in assets and a yearly budget of \$150m. The role of a Councillor is a serious one and should not be trusted to just anyone. I have an MBA - a Diploma of Project Management and 20 years experience working with Defence: 16 years serving in the Army and 4 years as a Project Manager. I wish to continue the hard work to deliver for the South Ward by: Continued financial scrutiny to keep rates lower - Supporting our sporting communities with new and modern facilities - Continue to demand higher standards of behaviour from Councillors - Continue to advocate the Federal and State Governments for our share of funding. Together we can Put Frankston First Always. Vote 2 - Suzette Tayler



**McCORMACK,
Quinn**

As a long-time resident of Frankston, I seek your support in enhancing Frankston's unique quality of life. Your interests are my interests: I grew up here, attended school here and run my business here. I have a long history of voluntary community service and am currently a member of five local committees working to deliver improved outcomes in Frankston. My priority is the protection, maintenance and growth of the unique environment and enrichment of our city. With a background in law and science, I have extensive experience and understanding of planning principles and skills in advocacy and mediation. Our community wellbeing is about realizing our residents' aspirations and needs. I offer genuine representation without any personal agenda. I share your concerns on the issues that affect us all and will work collaboratively and harmoniously to achieve cost effective, efficient and desired outcomes that will assist Frankston in reaching its true potential as a liveable and affordable city. I listen, consult and act with integrity. I believe in responsible representation, do not play political games and always deal with each issue on its merits. I provide sincere and honest leadership by never making promises that I cannot deliver. Vote Quinn McCormack



**WICKES,
Alan**

Alan Wickes is a proud and passionate Frankston citizen who says we are blessed with outstanding facilities in a wonderful environment. We have done well, but can do a lot better. Critical issues for our community growth and development are City representation and leadership, capitalisation on premium services in health, education, tourism, the arts and sport. Alan said our future is in the hands of our young people, we must do everything in our power to support them today as they are our leaders tomorrow. Alan is fanatical about the contribution small to medium size business owners make that is where some answers to future employment generation will come from. Born in Frankston, Alan has lived most of his life here. Schooled at Davey Street and Frankston High, Alan is an innovative community and business leader. Wholesale haircare distribution, business coach and consultant to the baking industry. A teenage 1st Frankston scouter, AFL player, locally and with Collingwood. Player, club captain and coach with Frankston and Seaford. In administration, Alan was founding secretary and later president of the Frankston & District Junior Football League. President of Frankston Dolphins and the Victorian Football Association. Alan is currently president of Proudly Frankston



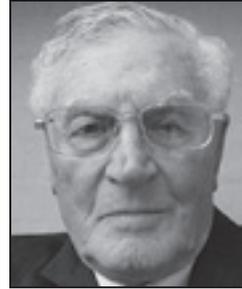
**CHRISTENSEN,
Tom**

I have lived in Frankston for the past 26 years, I worked as a successful contractor locally for 6 years, with my 2 boys growing up here and attending Derinya PS & Frankston High school. I was born in Denmark and immigrated to Australia in 1960, growing up in Surrey Hills, and going to Greythorn High School prior to travelling overseas where I lived & worked for 10 years. I moved to Frankston in 1990, where I completed an Advanced Diploma of Business/Marketing at Frankston TAFE, as well as teaching small business management at night school for four years at Frankston and Moorabbin TAFE's. My background is marketing and sales, I have worked in marketing for 20 years and understand the requirements of being frugal and efficient, as well as being a team worker with strong customer service focus. I have been a member of both Frankston and Nth Balwyn Rotary and enjoyed the work and projects immensely. I have a passion for a positive and dynamic Frankston, with it's beautiful foreshore, open spaces and parklands, a thriving city of restaurants cafe's and markets. I love the area, I'd welcome the opportunity to be your voice on Frankston Council.



**ZAGAMI,
Suzie**

Multimillion dollar investments are transforming Frankston, including the proposed redevelopment of Frankston's Train Station Precinct; (successfully lobbied by the Frankston Community Coalition in 2014 which I participated). This is a positive change for Frankston's Central Activity Area and an exciting time to be involved in local government. If I'm elected, my intention is to get the balance right; to encourage progress yet limit the over-development of dual/multi occupancies in South Ward so that families can fully enjoy their idyllic lifestyle without congestion and traffic chaos in narrow streets. I'm a Support Worker for OzChild and believe that everyone has something positive to contribute. I value equality and diversity. My grass roots approach will unlock opportunities, particularly for young people, through consultation with business and health sectors so everyone has a positive future. I've volunteered with the Frankston Susono Friendship Association for two years and my diplomas in Community Development and Marketing support my actions. My enthusiasm and commitment to working with our community & other elected Councillors, preferably Brian Cunial and Samantha Smith, will collectively make Frankston an improved place to live. Finally, I'm a mother of teenagers and have been a proud Frankston South resident for ten years.



**FRANCE,
Paul J.**

As a South Ward resident, my aim is to help Council become more accountable, more transparent and more responsible with how it spends ratepayer's money. I have wide knowledge and experience in matters relevant to council administration and plenty of time for council business. Studied Economics at Melbourne University: 1963-65, and Management at RMIT University: 1980-81. Attended courses in Administration at Federal Department of Education and Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). Held senior positions in teaching and in the federal public service. Examined local governments' accounts(ABS): 1984. Director of Polkien Pty Ltd: 2002-2008. Have practical business experience in finance, real estate, as owner-builder, the owner of a cafe' and of a manufacturing activity. Have made substantial contributions to government commissions, to state and federal governments' legislation and practice. Besides other submissions to Council, I provided the concept for "The Voice of Frankston". My objectives: listening to peoples ideas, supporting the good community work being done by the Council; minimising council rate rises through a higher population; reducing allowances, legal, consultants' and administrative costs; retiring debt; helping businesses; promote the construction of council paid footpaths where needed; supporting the long term capital projects already planned; better scrutiny of public works.