

Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Whittlesea City Council By-election 2026
WARD (if applicable)	Thomastown Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	GARNHAM, Sarah

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

A council that puts people before profit: well-funded schools, healthcare and community services, genuinely affordable housing, expanded public transport, and more green space. I'll fight to stop harmful developments, bring essential services back into public hands, and ensure our diverse community has the resources, voice and dignity it deserves.

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

Provide details (maximum 50 words)

I work as a community organiser and event planner. I have many years of experience campaigning for workers rights, justice for refugee and migrant communities and against war. I'm an active community volunteer and board member of a not-for-profit childcare centre. I am committed to fighting for an equal society.

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.	Yes
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> Phone: 0423742453 Email: sjgarnham@gmail.com	

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