

Candidate Questionnaire and Answers

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COUNCIL	Greater Bendigo City Council By-election Oct 2026
WARD (if applicable)	Lockwood Ward
CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper)	MARTINEK, MaryAnn

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

My vision is for a thriving, connected and financially responsible municipality where Council listens to its communities. I want better roads and infrastructure, sensible planning, strong local businesses, support for volunteers and community organisations, and fair investment across our rural and growing communities while protecting what makes Greater Bendigo special.

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

Provide details (maximum 50 words)

As a former Australian Army Major, community leader and veterans' advocate, I bring leadership, discipline, resilience and practical problem-solving. I have experience managing people, investigating complex issues, navigating government systems and building community projects. I listen, ask difficult questions, value accountability and am prepared to advocate strongly for residents.

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> MaryAnn Martinek 155 Don St Bendigo Vic 3550 PO Box 762 Bendigo Central vic 3552 Mobile 0432111034 Email studiomartinek@gmail.com	

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