

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)	THORPE, David

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

My vision is for a greater Bendigo that listens to its residents, spends ratepayers' money wisely and gets the basics right. I want safer roads, cleaner communities, better services and infrastructure, sensible growth, support for local businesses and stronger connections - while protecting the character of the communities we call home.

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

Provide details (maximum 50 words)

My strengths include my lifelong connection to the ward, broad business experience, practical knowledge of roads, infrastructure and local services, and experience in business, youth work and volunteering. I am approachable, accountable, a practical problem-solver and committed to listening to residents and achieving real results.

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> contact david thorpe via p o box 184 lockwood south or 0459761457	

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