



**Local Government Elections - Meet the Candidates Forum**

7.00pm, Wednesday, October 3, 2018

<b>Part A</b>	
Your name	Janet Byram
Are you attending and able to present at this forum? (Please indicate yes or no)	yes
Your contact details	0431889344 Jbyram156@gmail.com
Council for which you have nominated	Marion
Position/ward for which you have nominated	Mayor
Personal profile: Tell us (in <100 words) a bit about yourself eg Why you want to be on Council, your current occupation, interests and the experience/attributes you would bring to this role	<p>Currently I view my council work as my job (I love serving my community as a councillor), and the volunteer work I do in the community – with Marion Council, Hallett Cove R-12 (ESL teacher), President of the South Australian Women’s Memorial Playing Fields Trust, my church, and supporting Alan with his entertaining in nursing homes. My Husband and I host overseas students, currently have 3 Hong Kong boys living with us long term.</p> <p>A Retired Australian Army Major who understands service to my country and community, and the importance of good Leadership for the City of Marion. I bring strong Leadership, communication and advocate skills.</p>
<b>Part B</b>	
<p>In &lt;500 words what is your position on the following key priorities for the 5049 Coastal Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cement Hill development</li> <li>• 5049 foreshore</li> <li>• Local transport and access</li> <li>• Sustainability and the local environment</li> <li>• Planning and development</li> <li>• Access to public open space and community assets</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	<p>This last 4 years I have been a councillor in Southern Hills ward and together with the councillors representing Coastal decided to have combined ward briefings to service across the South, this enabled me to develop an understanding of the issues for the Marino area, and provide me with a base knowledge of this area for my role as Mayor.</p> <p>I am particularly concerned about the slow progress of the <b>Cement Hill development</b> and see this as a high priority to progress.</p> <p><b>5049 Foreshore</b> - it is important that the 2 councils are working collaboratively on protecting our coastline and what the issues are.</p> <p><b>Local transport and access</b> is a quality of life issue for residents and we must work together on issues</p>

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	<p>and bringing it to the attention of the relevant departments.</p> <p><b>Sustainability and the Local Environment.</b> This is an area I am particularly passionate about. Our heat mapping shows that we have a big problem with this in the Marino area and it is important that we move quickly to prepare for the future. Our streetscaping will only go part way to helping with this, more importantly is how we work as a community together to learn and educate and move forward together.</p> <p><b>Planning and development.</b> I strongly believe we can improve our community consultation and engagement with the community regarding Marino and the future. We need to engage early in processes and have think tanks, discussions whatever it takes to improve on connection between Council and Marino residents.</p> <p><b>Access to public open space and community assets.</b> This is again quality of life issues and are so important to our lives. Engagement with the community and future planning must be done. We need to hear from the community what is needed, we need to be proactive in how demographics are changing and what our community needs not trying to provide after the fact.</p> <p><b>Other.</b> The Marino hall and block of land behind the hall, need to be planned for the short term use and then longer planning for the future development of these sites. This must be a joint effort with the community.</p>
<p>In &lt;300 words summarise how you propose to engage with and represent the community and the 5049 Coastal Community Association to address our local priorities, should you be elected.</p>	<p>As your Mayor I promise to be: a Leader placing Community First; available; approachable; willing to listen; build community connections; ensure council transparency; improve community consultation; strive to achieve best outcomes for Marion and work with all people. I am not affiliated with any political party, and will not run in State or Federal Elections. I stand for responsible Council spending, keeping rates low while maintaining and improving Council services, building stronger relationships and community</p>

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	<p>between Council, residents, businesses, other Councils, State and Federal governments, and steering Marion towards a more sustainable future. Above all, I promise to serve you.</p> <p>My priorities for the City of Marion is with building community connections and this is so important for the <b>Marino residents</b>, you will know me in your community, I actively network and build relationships.</p> <p>I will be pushing for greater transparency in what we do.</p>
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