

I present myself as a potential candidate for Councillor Central Ward. With a practical and common-sense approach, I am committed to achieve the following outcomes for the community.

My primary focus is ensuring beach preservation, and with this, I firmly oppose the implementation of groynes along our cherished beaches. As your Councillor, I will endeavour to seek a reasonable outcome to ensure less intrusive options are considered. I believe artificial reefs, sand replenishment, coastal dune management, revegetation and rehabilitation techniques are the answer to erosion and I will push for these alternatives in the first instance.

Secondary to this, I aim to prioritise road safety for drivers and cyclists alike, creating a safe environment for all road users. As a dedicated cyclist commuting to work on a daily basis, I experience high risk situations on our roads and pathways which could be better managed through the City's transportation infrastructure. I hope to engage Council to increase funding, planning, designing and operation of these path and road networks.

I will opt for improved maintenance on existing shared pathways and I will also push for the introduction of traffic safety mirrors along the paths at locations where there is potential for collision between cyclists and/or pedestrians.

Transparency and accountability are key in Council's decision-making process. I would like to propose the introduction of live streamed council sessions, creating an inclusive platform for those who may be unable to attend in person. The addition of video capabilities will provide greater transparency and a visual representation of what is occurring in Council Chambers.

With an increased cost of living and economic stress, I will endeavour to minimise rate increases where possible during the budget review process.

As a Councillor, my purpose is unequivocal: to champion our community's best interests with integrity, dedication, and service.