

Q1. As a retired teacher I have developed many communications skills over the years. I listen carefully, I read extensively and critically. I ask questions. I ask for evidence. I analyse data. I seek a whole of community view.

Q2. The Distinctive Landscapes project has been a very valuable one that I have given considerable input into. Especially concerning the views of Queenscliff across Swan Bay, from the hills along Portarlington Rd, the views out to sea and the views from the sea back to the land. Some of the views predate white settlement and others have changed as white settlement has developed across the Borough.

Q3. The heritage of Borough has focused on the settlement patterns for the past 180 years. In this time the economic circumstances of the town have risen and fallen. We need to use our heritage, including the Fort, our relationship with Deakin University, our beautiful environment, all of our events and festivals to galvanise our economy. I would wish to finish Part2 of the Heritage Review.

We need to work with our business community for their input into this.

Q4. We need to consult widely with our community about where they would like to focus the community attention on this issue. Community consultation on this is just starting.

Q5. When the State Govt issues the appropriate permits, the work will begin as per the reference group recommendations.

Q6. Managing energy use.

Q7. I was a member of a political party 14 years ago. Not since. Too old for state or federal parliament.

Q8. It would be good to start a weeding program that the whole community could participate in. The is grant money about to arrive for this. Clearing out woody weeds especially from sand dunes would be a very good step forward.

Q9. I started the Listening Posts. I have helped developed the community consult climate change project. I am really excited about the whole of community consultation that has to take place prior to the council Plan. I hope that post COVID this will mean many workshops in the Town hall.

Q10. Finishing the Heritage Review. Including more recent buildings than just Victorian ones. Overhauling the wording of documents to help defend the town at VCAT.

Q11. Small projects. Finishing projects before starting other. Less consultants.

Q12. Planning to really important. Councillors need to be vigilant about what is happening, going to read documents not waiting for briefing. Councillors need to be very familiar with current Planning Scheme. I have been very busy in this area.

Q13. Clearly community needs to be consulted more thoroughly.

Q14. Yes. Has been a feature of work to date.

Q15. These questions are not mutually exclusive. Committed to all of these things.

Q16. This is always the challenge. A cleaning up roster will help. Fencing off very fragile areas will help. Better signage asking people to stick to paths.

Q17. Council needs to extend its email list even further to communicate regularly with our non-residents.

Q18. I see it as a major priority but council has been waiting for our Local member to be involved as she promised.

Q19. Petition was signed by more than 2000 people. I wrote and moved the motion passed by council.

Q20. This question is extraordinarily complex. Many in our towns only see heritage as being white heritage. There is much work to be done to this understanding. Unlocking the fort is important for both the economy and the history of the village. As a community we need understand what visitors are looking for. There are many tourism experts in the Borough but they have many varied ideas. We need to bring the them and businesses together.

Q21. The Lovell Chen 2020 report is the basis for the Heritage Review Part 1 recently passed through council. I voted for it. It included plenty of robust feedback from the community.

Q22. There are many members of community who do not agree with the basis of this question. There could not be windows on the west wall of the building into museum as this would have caused light damage to the artefacts inside. The trees were saved. An out of hours toilets will be nearby.

Q23. I am happy to accept the local talent if they have the qualifications, and accept the legal accountability for their work.

Q24. The median age for residents is 65 years. Happily, in the past few years we have seen a new demographic arriving. There are many services for our 65+, medical, meals on wheels, clubs, sports, activities and churches to name a few. Cottage by the Sea has provided services to the elderly and infirm during COVID.

Q25. This was on my brochure.

Q26. Finishing projects.

Q27. Council Plan and Implementation Plan should be reported on in every council agenda.

Q28. Good question. Had not thought of it drying up. Would need to ask the marine experts.

Q29. Was happy to support same sex marriage. Lots of families in the community with same sex members. Happy to hear from social workers and experts in the field about what council should do.

