

2024 Local Government Election - Sunshine Coast Council Candidate Questionnaire Responses

Candidate Name	Deborah Moseley
Nominating for	Councillor
Which division for?	Division 7
Sunshine Coast Dark Sky Reserve	Dark Sky is such a rarity these days, and it is a new tourist attraction. I am saddened by the extent of unnecessary lights that we use in our community. These lights confuse the natural movements of our fauna, and pose a risk to sustainability of species.
Do you support the Sunshine Coast Dark Sky designation?	Yes
Circular Economy	I support the intention of the Resource Recovery project. I believe that we need to have a strong educational program to help people to understand the impact on a disposable society, so that they are motivated to invest their energies in supporting the objectives. I would like to know the costs of the recovery of waste and how we can achieve the target set for 2041
Do you support the strategy?	Yes
Biosphere designation	In simple terms, the biosphere serves all life. It is a space where people live sustainably.
Will you actively promote our Biosphere Aims and Objectives?	Yes



Inter-Urban Break	The diversity of species of flora and fauna in this region can only be sustained if there are protected uninterrupted habitat. The inter-urban break also provide recreational spaces for humans to be in contact with nature. As we are facing the impacts of climate change, it is vital that there are areas for the natural hydrology of the earth, and soil systems to remain in tact. Modern developments of concrete and iron are heat sinks that contribute to global warming and demand high usage of fuels to maintain livability, it is essential that we understand the importance of more green spaces.
Do you support it's protection?	Yes
New Planning Scheme	I have been involved in consultation on the planning scheme, and the role of the new council will to decide on it's effectiveness in meeting the need for livability. I do know that it is restrained by the SEQ plans. There are too many facets to discuss here. The piece that is missing is an effective system to protect Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
Will you uphold the Community Planning Priorities?	Yes
Climate and Renewables	I advocate for conserving trees by putting a dollar value on trees depending on their importance as part of a carbon sink. Removing any tree will incur compensation payable to the community that has lost a carbon asset. Minimising the use of concrete and greenhouse gases is important. I'm concerned that people have become air-conditioned dependent, and I believe that schools and institutions need to have more effective monitoring of excess air-conditioning. The impact of climate change on our weather systems and coastlines increases risks for many dwellings. The council must not enable people to live in high risk areas where they have exorbitant insurance costs.



Do you support Nature based Solutions for climate resilience?	Yes
Sunshine Coast values	<p>There would be a First Nations cultural heritage officer within Planning and Development who has knowledge of special areas and would be able to trigger consultation and resolution of any development that threatens ancient heritage. Residents will be encouraged to learn how to identify First Nations cultural heritage, and there would be a Keeping Place for safe keeping of artefacts and sharing of knowledge and wisdom.</p> <p>I advocate for an Indigenous Ranger program to support that education of citizens. Settler heritage contribute to the recognisable historic enjoyment of character and should be protected.</p>
Do you support the use of non-lethal shark deterrent methods in our oceans?	Yes
Will you advocate to manage population growth to protect and restore the region's ecological and liveability values? Liveability definition from SCRC new planning scheme preliminary documents - Liveability is the sum of the factors that add up to a community's quality of life now and in the future, including the	Yes

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