

2024 Local Government Election - Sunshine Coast Council Candidate Questionnaire Responses

Candidate Name	David Law
Nominating for	Councillor
Which division for?	Division 10
Sunshine Coast Dark Sky Reserve	I support this project for the benefit to the wildlife and environment. So that we can all enjoy the night skies. It will provide a tourism opportunity for the Blackall Range and the Hinterland.
Do you support the Sunshine Coast Dark Sky designation?	Yes
Circular Economy	As a community we need to reduce the purchasing for the sake of consumption and the "waste" products this creates. We must re-use, re-purpose. re-cycle. We must reduce "waste" products.
Do you support the strategy?	Yes
Biosphere designation	The Sunshine Coast Biosphere is a UNESCO designation that recognises all elements of living on the Sunshine Coast. Environment People Economy. It is significant that the Biosphere is led by a governance structure led by community members with the support from Council. The Biosphere belongs to our community and not the council.

Will you actively promote our Biosphere Aims and Objectives?	Yes
Inter-Urban Break	WE must protect the RAMSAR wetlands that are at risk due to development in this area. We must protect the open space between the city (Brisbane Caboolture) and the Sunshine Coast. And we must limit urban sprawl.
Do you support it's protection?	Yes
New Planning Scheme	
Will you uphold the Community Planning Priorities?	Yes
Climate and Renewables	<p>The councils biggest source of emissions is CO2 from landfill. To stop the future production of CO2 from landfill all organic material must be removed from the waste to landfill process. This work is currently underway to provide the processes to do so. It will require the cooperation of the whole community to achieve this goal to remove all organic material.</p> <p>Then all other land fill material must be reduced to zero.</p> <p>Planting of trees and vegetation to off set CO2 emissions must be increased with the additional benefit of returning cleared land back to forests etc.</p> <p>Continue to investigate the carbon capture potential via "Blue Carbon"</p> <p>We must continue to convert to renewable energy sources and battery storage.</p> <p>transition the council fleet including the yellow fleet to zero emissions</p> <p>Encourage zero emissions construction sites</p> <p>Encourage sequestration of carbon into to concrete</p> <p>Do not build in flood plain or the coastal erosion zones</p> <p>Prevent urban sprawl and build low energy use housing</p>

Do you support Nature based Solutions for climate resilience?	Yes
Sunshine Coast values	Since every person's values are unique this is almost impossible to contemplate how. In general terms protecting and improving our environment will enhance the whole region as we continue to have large increases in population. Therefore we need to do far more to care for the environment as population increases.
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 built and natural environments, economic prosperity, social stability and wellbeing,	Yes

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