1. Are you or have you been a member of a political party; represented a political party at an election; or worked for a political party?

During the state election campaign earlier this year I joined WA Labor as their values resonated strongly and aligned with my own and those of my family. However, WA Labor does not endorse candidates for local government and I am running independently of any political group.

2. What is your vision for the future of the Bayswater Town Centre and Train Station?

My personal vision is somewhat irrelevant as it is the wishes of the community that I as a councillor would strive to represent. It is clear that there is some division in the community's views and I feel it is the role of council to listen carefully to all sides and seek a balanced outcome. We can't always have exactly what we want, but with compromise and consideration for the best interests of the community I believe we should be able to find a resolution that all residents and small businesses can be satisfied with. We are after all seeking the best outcome for Bayswater.

3. What is your vision for the future of the Meltham Station Precinct?

My response to this is similar the previous question. It is the residents of the Meltham, in consultation with council and planning advisors that should drive the vision.

4. What actions will you personally take to generate investment in the Bayswater Town Centre and the Meltham precinct to create vibrant, connected, pedestrian friendly and economically viable employment hubs?

My duty as a councillor would be to research and understand the options available for the revitalisation of these areas as well as exploring the wishes of the residents and small businesses. I sampled a taste of the views at the candidate forum, however I think that just scratched the surface and I am very keen to understand further about the various viewpoints on the direction of these very important precincts.

5. What actions will you take to harness and coordinate the resources of the state government agencies in supporting the revitalisation of Bayswater and Meltham to integrate urban planning with transport planning?

State government support and resources are vital, but I feel strongly that the City of Bayswater should remain the driving force behind any redevelopment. The vision and direction must be guided by local voices.