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### Ku-ring-gai Council Election 2024 – Candidate Questions

Please return your answers to [info@foke.org.au](mailto:info@foke.org.au) by 5.00pm on FRIDAY 23 AUGUST 2024.

Candidates Full Name: Adrienne Joan Mclean

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Qualifications: BE Hon BSM Cert 4 busines Day job: Small Business Owner

Are you a member of a political party? YES/NO  NO

If YES, specify .....

Community/ lobby/ sporting group membership? YES/NO  
If YES, specify Ku-ring-gai Chamber of Commerce STEP

Turramulla Trotters Marion Street Theatre - Actra  
Have you endorsed Save Greater Sydney Coalition's election planning principles? YES/NO  NO

Have you signed the YIMBY election pledge? YES/NO  NO

Do you believe dwelling supply alone will solve the housing shortage and affordability? YES/NO  NO

Do you support Ku-ring-gai Council's legal action against the NSW Government's Transport Orientated Development (TOD) SEPP? Why or why not? Yes - as per Mayor Sam Ngai vision

detailed in EOM -> time is needed for planning so placement is functional for infrastructure  
Do you support making a new place based LEP to mitigate the adverse impacts of the TOD and Low to Mid-Rise Housing SEPP on Ku-ring-gai? YES/NO  NO

Do you support maintaining public Council land for community use? YES/NO  NO

Do you support listing Ku-ring-gai GeoRegion as a UNESCO GeoRegion? YES/NO  NO

Do you support the protection of Ku-ring-gai's Heritage Conservation Areas? YES/NO  NO

Do you support the establishment of a Ku-ring-gai Council Environmental Advisory Group?

YES/NO Absolutely

Do you support natural turf on Ku-ring-gai's sports and playing fields; or the installation of artificial turf? NATURAL/ARTIFICIAL TURF

**Expanded Questions:**

*Please keep each answer less than 200 words (longer answers may be cut).*

1. What motivated you to run for office at the Ku-ring-gai local government elections?
2. What is your vision for Ku-ring-gai?
3. What life experiences and professional experiences do you bring that will serve in your role as a councillor?
4. What do you see as the key issues facing Ku-ring-gai?
5. How do you propose to address those issues if elected?
6. How will you ensure community engagement, and participation?
7. What do you consider are key issues in your Ward?
8. Are there any additional comments you wish to add?

Candidate's Name: Adrienne Mulean Signature: 

Date: 23/8/24

Thankyou for your time in answering the questions. Candidate answers will be published on FOKE's website, Enews and sent to members and supporters/resident's lists.

Please attach your election photo.

**1. What motivate you to run for office at Ku-ring-gai local government elections?**

I am 4th generation Ku-ring-gai resident. I want to give back to the community I love. Also, I see so much good work being done by the community and I would like to represent the community when there are issues.

**2. What is your vision for Ku-ring-gai?**

Ku-ring-gai has the beauty of being around the Ku-ring-gai National park and tree lined streets. I'd like to see our environment supported. I'd like to see quality facilities like the upgrade of Marian Street Theatre.

Ku-ring-gai has very few activities for the young so some teenage activities and 20+ places to go and congregate would be great.

I'd like to see some vibrancy within town centres, the design of the town centres is limited and a fresh look at how we can have community feel with good facilities.

**3. What life experiences and professional experiences do you bring that will serve in your role as a councillor?**

- Background in business processes and compliance, continuous improvement projects -  
- I understand change manage and continuous improvement - this will really help when there are times of change (there is a lot at the moment) and I can be a support to the community

I'm married with 3 children. I so appreciated the council Family Day care. It is a fantastic service that helped me personally alot.

I've been a primary carer for my Father for 11 years, we renooated our home and I say I ran a preschool, a primary school and an aged care facility!

I've been on the board of HHH Hornsby Ku-ring-gained Community Radio for 5 years and interviewed over 700 members of the community in my 5 years on air. I do appreciate and respect the efforts of our community that are going on to help in so many ways.

**4. The key issues faced by Ku-ring-gai are:**

1. TOD developments
  2. Lack of connection with State Government
  3. Poor facilities
  4. Town Centres are not cohesive or vibrant
  5. Many empty shops that is an indication there's something wrong
  6. There appears to be a problem with the Masterplan and placement of infrastructures - eg NSFA want to go to North Turrumurra but this takes away the community ownership of the area and the NSFA are only paying \$1 per year. There must be a better place to put this.
- How do I plan to address these issues?

As a new councillor, I will liaise with council staff and see what can be done to address.

**5. How will you ensure community engagement and participation?**

It helps to go to community events and be present. So many councillors don't even bother.

Social media is one way, although comes with some risks.

Newsletters and forums.

**6. What do you consider are Key issues in your Ward?**

1. Wahroonga Estate has not enough parking allocated so cars are parking on the streets and clogging up the area. Apartment blocks don't have enough allocated parking.

2. Renovation of Norman Griffiths oval has been an environmental issue with synthetic turf being allowed to go on there. Norman Griffiths oval revamp has been a terrible example of poor community engagement, lack of assessments with environment issues, seems to have been driven by sporting groups.

The community tried to tell council there was an issue by putting their court case together. They lost the court case but the environment testing afterwards showed the contamination with the Quarry Creek. This is a terrible ongoing power struggle that the sporting groups won and the community lost.

3. Speeding around Comenarra - solar panel speed signs are needed to reduce cars speed.

4. Crime has increased in Comenarra - cameras and surveillance is required.

5. Parking around Fox Valley Rd shops is taken by SAN visitors etc

6. West Pymble - Philip Mall area up grade