

JRA Questionnaire for Queanbeyan City Council election candidates

The Jerrabomberra Residents' Association Inc. (JRA) requests
all candidates answer the following questions.

Candidate name: ...Ann Rocca.....

Date...18 August 2008.....

Signature.....

<p>Question 1: <i>The JRA supports the construction of Dunns Creek Road from the Monaro Hwy to Cooma Road to be completed before the 7th year of the Googong town development.</i> Would you act & vote in a manner to help ensure Dunns Creek Road is developed as a condition of any future development of Googong.</p>	<p>YES, I agree. I would vote to support this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">See comments below</p>	<p>No, I disagree with this proposal.</p>	<p>Sorry, I would have a conflict of interest.</p>
<p>How would you help achieve this? A road south of Jerrabomberra connecting Cooma Rd to Monaro Hwy is important for Googong and for Jerrabomberra residents. Dunns Ck Rd is the obvious choice but it is just a line on a map at the moment. There is a need for environmental studies, route finalisation, land acquisition, engineering studies and so many other things. There may be better and more achievable options that achieve the same benefits. I would read and consider all the information I was presented with before making a decision.</p>			
<p>Question 2: <i>The JRA supports Edwin Land Parkway remaining as a community road only, not a 4 lane Queanbeyan bypass. Jerrabomberra must not become a by-pass for Queanbeyan.</i> Would you act & vote in a manner to ensure our suburb does not become a bypass for Queanbeyan or the main road to Googong from the Monaro Hwy?</p>	<p>YES, I agree. I would vote to support this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">X</p>	<p>No, I disagree with this proposal.</p>	<p>Sorry, I would have a conflict of interest.</p>
<p>How would you help achieve this? The Edwin Land parkway has been planned for many years. It is funded for two lanes, land has been acquired and other community land has been set aside as environmental offset. It is an important road in the Queanbeyan network and will be useful to Jerrabomberra residents as well as others. I support it being built.</p> <p>Having said that, even as a 2 lane road it should not serve to divide the Jerrabomberra community further, particularly pedestrians travelling between the shops, school, community and sporting centres. I am sure council will look at measures to assist this.</p>			
<p>Question 3: <i>The JRA supports the development of additional community & educational facilities, including a proposed high school to be developed within the Jerrabomberra Valley.</i> Would you act & vote in a manner to ensure these facilities are developed?</p>	<p>YES, I agree. I would vote to support this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">X</p>	<p>No, I disagree with this proposal.</p>	<p>Sorry, I would have a conflict of interest.</p>
<p>How would you help achieve this? I have been pushing for increased council youth services for Jerrabomberra but unfortunately these have been opposed by the school and the JRA.. This year there is funding for a youth outreach service at Jerrabomberra and I hope it is well received.</p> <p>I support a high school for Jerrabomberra students. I believe it is important for children to be educated in their own communities, which assists in making that community</p>			

stronger, partly because of the involvement of families in other community activities such as sport. Council has already attempted to facilitate land subdivision to allow a school to be built, but this has been delayed by other forces.			
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<p>Question 4: <i>The JRA supports the development of a major district sporting centre and community facility. Including an indoor aquatic centre, athletics facilities and additional sports fields etc. to be developed in the Poplars area, Jerrabomberra Valley for the benefit of all in Queanbeyan.</i> Would you act & vote in a manner to ensure these new sporting and community facilities are developed?</p>	<p>YES, I agree. I would vote to support this for the use of all Queanbeyan residents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">X</p>	<p>No, I disagree with this proposal.</p>	<p>Sorry, I would have a conflict of interest.</p>
<p>How would you help achieve this? In 2005 I successfully moved, seconded by Cr Raewyn Bastion, that council investigate a site and funding for an indoor heated pool at Jerrabomberra. You will remember from the minutes I sent to you that this motion was opposed by Cr Jarvis and Cr Overall was absent from that meeting. The site investigation was carried out and no suitable site was able to be identified in Jerrabomberra.</p> <p>All current councillors support a regional sporting facility. My motion (above) led to the aquatic centre working party being established and the sports advisory committee, ably chaired by Cr Kerry White, began to consider a regional facility which was initially proposed to provide fields for little athletics. It is now planned, in councillors minds at least, that this regional facility provide for a number of sports.</p> <p>Council thought it had land in Hoover Rd which it could have used for this. This is no longer the case as it was decided to use this land as an environmental offset to protect the threatened and endangered species on it. If council has to purchase land for this sporting facility it will be delayed further unless significant grant funds can be obtained.</p>			

<p>Question 5: <i>The JRA supports an 11pm-6am curfew of Canberra Airport and is opposed to a 24 hour airport freight hub.</i> Would you act & vote in a manner to help secure a curfew?</p>	<p>YES, I agree. I would vote to support this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">X</p>	<p>No I disagree with this proposal.</p>	<p>Sorry, I would have a conflict of interest.</p>
<p>How would you help achieve this? I have consistently asked questions of the airport operators about this issue, at public and other meetings for at least 10 years. Aircraft noise affects many Queanbeyan residents, it is not just an issue in Jerrabomberra. Letchworth is particularly badly affected. I have consistently supported a curfew and see no reason to change my mind now.</p>			