

JRA Questionnaire for Queanbeyan City Council election candidates

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

Candidate name: KERRY WHITE.....

Date: 28/8/01.....

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;">✓</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?</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;">✓ ?</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?</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;">✓</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?</p>			
<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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">✓</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?</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;">✓</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?</p>			

I HAVE BEEN MOVING HOUSE AND MY OFFICE AND OVERLOOKED THE DATE YOU WANTED MY RESPONSE BY.

I WILL BE ATTENDING THE "MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT."

Q1 & Q2

I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT THE MATTER OF DUNNS CREEK ROAD WILL FORM PART OF THE TRAFFIC STUDY TO BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE GOOGONG DEVELOPMENT. IF THE STUDY CONCLUDES THAT IT IS REQUIRED TO BE CONSTRUCTED THEN I WILL TOTALLY SUPPORT IT. IT WOULD COST AROUND \$100M WHICH WOULD NEED TO BE FINANCED BY THE DEVELOPERS.

I WOULD NOT AGREE TO THE RELEASE OF THE APPROPRIATE APPROVALS UNTIL A FIRM COMMITMENT WAS MADE BY THE DEVELOPERS TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION.

IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT THAT THE TRAFFIC STUDY CONCLUDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF DUNNS CREEK ROAD WAS NOT REQUIRED, I WOULD IN CONSULTATION WITH THE JRA AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS SEEK TO ALLEVIATE THE HIGH TRAFFIC VOLUME WHICH WOULD BE GENERATED ON THE EDWIN LAND PARKWAY.

THIS IS NOT, IN MY MIND, A SIMPLE QUESTION TO ADDRESS AND WOULD NEED THE FULL SUPPORT OF COUNCIL TOGETHER WITH THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

WE ALSO NEED TO CONTINUE TO ADDRESS A BY PASS FOR THE CITY WHICH HAS LAID DORMANT FOR TOO LONG AND THIS SHOULD BE LOOKED AT AS PART OF THE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM WHICH WILL BE INFLICTED ON RESIDENTS IF DUNNS CREEK ROAD IS NOT CONSTRUCTED.

Q3

DEFINITELY SUPPORT IT.

THERE IS A NEED FOR A PRESCHOOL (MY WIFE IS DIRECTOR OF HARRIS PARK PRESCHOOL) SO I AM ACUTELY AWARE OF THE NEED. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION WOULD BE THE EASY PART, IT IS RECURRENT OPERATIONAL FUNDING WHICH IS THE PROBLEM TOGETHER WITH THE STATE GOVERNMENTS FREEZE ON FUNDING INCREASES WHICH HAS CREATED HIGH (AND IN MANY CASES UNAFFORDABLE) FEES.

THE NEED FOR A HIGH SCHOOL IS SELF EVIDENT AND I FULLY SUPPORT IT. MY CONCERN IS IF IT IS A PRIVATE SCHOOL THEN IT MAY NOT BE AFFORDABLE FOR MANY OF THE RESIDENTS. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL AS WELL SO THAT ALL RESIDENTS, NOT A MINORITY, ARE CATERED FOR.

IN MY OPINION BOTH A PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL WOULD BE VIABLE FOR JERRABOMBERRA ESPECIALLY WITH THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF TRALEE.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES ARE DEFINITELY REQUIRED AND THIS IS ADDRESSED IN Q4

Q4

I HAVE BEEN A MAJOR PLAYER IN HAVING \$1.5M SET ASIDE BY COUNCIL TO KICK START THIS PROJECT. I AM ON RECORD AS STATING THAT IN MY FIRST TERM AS MAYOR STAGE 1 OF SUCH A DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE STARTED IF NOT COMPLETED. IN MY CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF COUNCILS SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, A SPORTS PRECINCT WORKING GROUP WAS FORMED AND I WOULD INVITE INTERESTED RESIDENTS TO JOIN WITH THIS GROUP. THIS GROUP WAS FORMED TO PUT TOGETHER A CONCEPT PLAN FOR THIS PROJECT. I BELIEVE IT WOULD NEED TO INCLUDE A 50M HEATED INDOOR POOL IN THE ACQUATIC CENTRE, INDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES, AN ALL WEATHER OUTDOOR ATHLETIC CENTRE WITH PLAYING FIELDS IN THE CENTRE.

ANOTHER PART OF THIS STAGED DEVELOPMENT WOULD INCLUDE MEETING ROOMS AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

ANY FINAL DECISION WOULD DEPEND ON FEEDBACK FROM THE PUBLIC.

Q5

BY CONSTANTLY LOBBYING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THIS WOULD REQUIRE THE SUPPORT OF THE JRA AND ALL AFFECTED PARTIES INCLUDING THOSE IN THE ACT. I WOULD INITIATE A PUBLIC PETITION AND PRESENT IT TO THE APPROPRIATE MINISTER WITH AS MANY RESIDENTS PRESENT AS I COULD GET.

WE WOULD NEED TO BE VOCAL AND UNITED.

WE WOULD REQUIRE MEDIA COVERAGE AND NEED TO BE MOR PROACTIVE AS IT APPEARS TO ME THAT THIS ISSUE LIKE THE BY PASS HAS ITS UPS AND DOWNS.

CLR KERRY WHITE

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