

# East Clifton Hill Residents Incorporated (No A0114110I)

## Response from Jill Post (Greens)

	<b>Guidance</b> Unless specifically identified, these questions relate solely to the Yarra Bend Ward of the City of Yarra, and the forthcoming council elections to be held in October 2024.
1Q.	Are you a representative of any political party, or have any other affiliations with other candidates running for Council? If yes, which Party please? (please send us a copy of any policy statements especially in regard to heritage protection and planning)
1A.	<b>Yes, The Greens</b>
2Q.	In no more than 30 words, what do you see as the major issues facing East Clifton Hill relevant to the City of Yarra?
2A.	<b><i>Development pressures, preserving the integrity of the area, road safety, having the opportunity to improve the relationship with Council and to understand the services and facilities that this community needs.</i></b>
3Q.	East Clifton Hill is subject to a heritage overlay, and other heritage protections. Do you favour strengthening these protections, weakening them, or that they remain the same?
3A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strengthen. <input type="checkbox"/> Remain Same. <input type="checkbox"/> Weaken/remove
	<i>If elected I will look at what additional provisions may be available so that there is greater recognition and protection of the heritage significance of the area.</i>
4Q.	Are you in favour of the protection of the designation of The Spensley-Berry and Ramsden-Myrtle commercial precincts as Local Activity Centres?
4A.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES. <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNDECIDED
	<i>East Clifton Hill has the Queens Parade shopping precinct in close proximity to the community. While small, the Spensley-Berry and Ramsden-Myrtle commercial precincts serve the community well with some really fabulous businesses. Given this, and with a number of former commercial premises having been converted to residences, there might be little capacity for additional commercial activity in these precincts. If community members have other thoughts, I'd welcome the conversation.</i>
5Q.	Do you support introduction of mandatory height limits in The Spensley-Berry and Ramsden-Myrtle Local Activity Centres? (as is the case in some other council areas)
5A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES. <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNDECIDED
	Comment if any <i>If elected, as part of what I've committed to undertake in relation to planning and heritage work for the area, I will look at what avenues are</i>

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	<p><b>available in relation to height controls for the Spensley-Berry and Ramsden-Myrtle precincts.</b></p>				
6Q.	<p>East Clifton Hill has numerous heritage buildings designated as 'individually significant'. Do you favour strengthening these protections, weakening them, or that they remain the same?</p>				
6A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strengthen. <input type="checkbox"/> Remain Same. <input type="checkbox"/> Weaken/remove				
	<p>Comment if any</p> <p>If elected I will seek a heritage analysis of the area including opportunities to expand existing heritage precincts, establish new heritage precincts, and provision of more detailed statements of significance for both heritage precincts and individually significant places.</p>				
7Q.	<p>The City of Yarra in its current term has reduced the ability of the public to ask questions at Council Meetings. Do you favour making it easier for the public to ask questions without notice at Council meetings?</p>				
7A.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES. <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNDECIDED				
	<p><b>Often, when questions are asked without notice at a Council Meeting, and there is insufficient time to consult the subject matter experts, the question has to be taken on notice - which is not an effective outcome. The current system, which requires the public to submit questions prior to the meeting so that they can be answered appropriately, is similar to the processes used by both City of Melbourne and City of Port Phillip and allows for a much more productive use of the meeting time.</b></p> <p><b>This term Council has changed its approach to community engagement - including the introduction of new, more informal settings for community members to engage with Council. These have been well attended and allow a broader spectrum of the community to discuss what matters to them.</b></p> <p><b>My years at the City of Melbourne have convinced me that good community engagement is crucial to successful outcomes for residents. I'm happy to explore new ways and opportunities for community members to engage with Council, and would welcome any ideas that your group might have.</b></p>				
8Q.	<p>Do you support improving the transparency to residents of the processes of planning within the City of Yarra and in particular those that relate to heritage values of any area under consideration of planning change or development?</p>				
8A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES. <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNDECIDED				
	<p><b>I support broad engagement with the community regarding planning scheme amendments, and feel that deep, meaningful engagement is really important. Similarly, I think there would be great value in introducing consultation meetings with the community regarding planning applications</b></p>				

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	<p><b><i>to better understand issues, opportunities and means of address; before they go to Council to make a determination.</i></b></p>
9Q.	<p>The CoY Transport strategy has determined that on designated cycleways, angled parking will be replaced by parallel parking. If implemented in East Clifton Hill this will lead to a dramatic reduction in available parking in both Spensley Street and Roseneath Street. Both streets are relatively quiet, and we have no evidence to suggest that cyclist safety is an issue on these two roads. If elected, will you seek to ensure that angled parking is retained on both Spensley and Roseneath Streets?</p>
9A.	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES. <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNDECIDED</p> <p><b><i>Council is not removing angled parking across the municipality, or on Spensley and Roseneath Streets as has been suggested through some election materials and social media posts. The claim by some candidates about this as part of their election campaign is misleading and a misrepresentation of Council's Transport Strategy and Transport Action Plan. The City of Yarra has issued a statement about this on their website, and responded to several questions regarding this matter from community members at Council Meetings.</i></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Car parking removal in Yarra   Yarra City Council</u></a></p>

Additional Comments from the Candidate are welcome here

***As suggested in your email, I am happy to meet with you in person or by phone, to discuss any of the points above.***