Candidate Details



Ballot paper name

Candidate name

District

Nominating for

Election type

Enrolment status

PURICH, Alex

Alex PURICH
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup
Councillor for Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup
Ordinary

PURICH, Alex is eligible to stand for election as a resident of the Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup.

I reside on my family farm in Brookhampton, with my wife Louise and daughter Rosa.

I'm a qualified project manager, and have worked in local and state government. In these roles I engaged directly with the community, sought to understand their issues, and worked collaboratively on finding solutions.

If elected, I will focus my efforts on maximising positive outcomes for community and ensuring efficient spending of council funds.

I face challenges head on and posses a can do attitude. I conduct myself in an honest and forthright manner, and strive to deliver projects on-time and on-budget, to ensure the best possible outcome for community.

Donnybrook-Balingup is well positioned to be a thriving regional shire, with untapped opportunities, that if seized, will improve the prosperity and safety of the shire.

I've lived in three states and resided in multiple regional towns, giving me a strong understanding of the challenges faced by regional communities.

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Additional Information

Since moving to Donnybrook-Balingup I've sought to build community connections and spirit. I've joined the Thomson Brook Fire Brigade, the Brookhampton Progress Association, and have become involved with Lords Reserve and Yabberup Hall.

My family have felt so welcomed by the Donnybrook-Balingup community, we've lived in multiple regional towns and centres (Wagga Wagga, Geelong, Drouin) and never experienced such a welcoming community as we've found here.

I'm passionate about the functional and effective operation of local government, I developed this passion in my first local government role, Public Realm Development Project Manager, at the City of Whittlesea (Victoria). In this role I delivered parks, playgrounds, town centres, and other open space projects.

Upon returning to Western Australia and moving to Brookhampton, I took an Infrastructure Project Coordinator role at the City of Bunbury. I was responsible for delivering Hands Oval Football Stadium and the Forrest Park Pavilion, this was the first time I'd delivered building projects. There was a steep learning curve and many challenges, but I tackled them head on and I'm proud of the outcomes we achieved.

I don't pretend to know everything, I readily ask questions and respect the wisdom and knowledge of those around me. My time as a project manager taught me the importance of subject matter experts, and this extends to all walks of life. Subject matter experts aren't just engineers or electricians, they're teachers, farmers, play group presidents, and so many more.

Should I be elected, I'll listen to those around me, I'll proactively seek the wisdom and knowledge of the community, and work collaboratively to find and deliver solutions.