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**Q1**

Candidate Name

Lynton Michael Joseph

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**Q2**

**North East Ward**

Contesting Which Moreland Ward?

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**Q3**

**Independent**

Are you a candidate for a political party? Which Party?  
Or are you standing as an Independent candidate?

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**Q4**

If you are receiving campaign funding for this election, who are you receiving funding from? (list all or state 'None')

None

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**Q5**

**North East Ward**

Connections to Moreland Wards. I am a resident in:

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**Q6**

What are your other connections to Moreland wards

I am self-employed in

**North East Ward**

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**Q7**

Triple bottom line accounting brings to account three domains that we need for a good life. They are economic, environmental and social which includes health. Do you commit as a Councillor for Council to use triple bottom line accounting on all Council infrastructure projects and will you try to ensure that climate emergency is embedded in every Manager's performance plan?

(no label)

**Agree Strongly**

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### Q8

Transport: Upfield Rail Upgrade - Problems with parking and traffic congestion, capacity issues of public transport (once the pandemic passes) necessitate solutions for upgrading the Upfield Line. According to Infrastructure Australia, the northern region Transport Corridor will reach and exceed capacity in the next decade. Will you support duplication and extension of the Upfield rail line to Craigieburn and Wallan for provision of a more reliable and frequent rail service catering for the growing population in Moreland and residents in new growth suburbs further north?

(no label)

**Strongly Agree**

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### Q9

Transport: Tram Network Extension: As a Councillor will you support ongoing advocacy for the Victorian State Government to extend the No 58 West Coburg Tram along Derby street in Pascoe Vale, and No 19 North Coburg tram routes further north along Sydney Road to Campbellfield?

(no label)

**Strongly Agree**

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### Q10

Transport: Mode shift - What actions will you be pushing for to facilitate a mode shift to more sustainable modes of transport in Moreland as part of, or beyond, Moreland Integrated Transport Strategy (MITS), including changes to parking restrictions, increasing public transport advocacy, cycling and walking infrastructure?

The introduction of any sustainable modes of transport is also dependent on the current surroundings. Ideally, since covid, car pooling is something that may be put into question with current social distancing measures. Walking, in certain areas is still not desirable so going a step back to consider developing areas into a 'safer' bracket with additional lighting and markings. What was noticeable during the lockdown with curfews, was the feeling of tension within the streets. Naturally walking, cycling, running, transport and ride pooling are ideal strategies, however, without now considering the impact of Covid, and the rules which are ever changing, some of these obvious strategies will need to be tailored. Any way of encouraging the reduction of cars on the road, by perhaps introducing staggered working hours, as a flow on effect all around will help mitigate this problem.

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### Q11

Heat Vulnerability: Large sections of Moreland's north are at the extreme end of the Heat Vulnerability Index, meaning residents are very susceptible to global warming. What will you do to address this beyond existing policies, including Moreland Urban Heat Island Effect Action Plan (Word Doc 48MB), Moreland Urban Forest Strategy 2017-2017 (PDF 9MB), Cooling the Upfield Corridor Action Plan?

In order to minimise the risk of health related issues and even death, especially for our older population as a result of the heat levels experienced here. It may sound simple, but planting the correct trees, in the correct places is the initial and ongoing phase to combat this.

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### Q12

Waste Management. Moreland aims to be a leading council in sustainable waste management, yet its rate of diverting waste to organics and recycling sits just above the state average. What will you do to help Moreland in the rollout of the Food and Garden Organics Collection Service, and achieve Moreland's 2030 zero waste to landfill target as part of Zero Carbon in the Planning Scheme – ESD Policy v2.0?

My understanding is that the majority of residents adhere to the requirements when it comes to waste management. Further education on how we can go from sitting above the state average to becoming closer to a leader in this space should be the next step. Reducing the waste management collection to fortnightly is of concern and I cannot see myself supporting this based on the people I have spoken to currently.

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### Q13

Energy Efficiency and Renewables. Moreland has a goal of “Efficient and 100% renewably powered energy”. Yet Moreland has one of Victoria’s lowest uptake of solar PV. How can Moreland “walk the talk” on renewable energy and meet the community goals set in the Zero Carbon Moreland – Climate Emergency Action Plan 2020/21 – 2024/25?

Solar Panels is not attainable for everyone. We need to consider how we can make this affordable, either through grants, rebates, or reduction / offset of rates for installation of. A major problem is the amount of installers in this space that is a concern. The residents, with the benefit of hindsight, can make an informed decision on solar benefits and also what are the main considerations of installation.

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### Q14

Pollution and litter: How will you educate and incentivise business in industrial zones (especially in the North East Ward) to avoid pollution and litter from entering our drains and our creek systems?

Why we need to incentivise business' in industrial zones to do the right thing is beyond me. I am for an education program. I imagine not everyone would understand the full impact of pollution and litter entering our drains and creeks

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### Q15

Supporting business and the environment as part of Covid RecoveryWhat actions will you take to help Council promote environmentally sustainable jobs as part of a Covid recovery such as by possible development of large abandoned sites for a sustainability hub (such as former Kangan TAFE automotive campus)? How else will you advocate for supporting small business Covid recovery that includes environmental co-benefits?

This is a huge opportunity for Moreland to lead other councils. This is a terrible time for so many. Whereas council cannot financially support every business affected, they can start to create programs that provide holistic support for the residents in line with the current offerings. The council should be able to financial support environmentally sustainable jobs with this recovery goal in mind. This is going to be an immensley complex topic of discussion. I wish I had the answers on this one as it is what I am most passionate about. But what I would suggest is involving as many people as possible to articulate a solution. A solution that will add have a long term outcome in mind. What I can do is 100% support all initiatives to help residents of Moreland recover during and post Covid.

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### Q16

Food SecurityHow would you address food security in Moreland beyond the existing Moreland Food System Strategy? (including as a part of the clean Covid recovery)?

I really don't know enough about this topic to comment. But it is one I will be briefing myself on in the coming days.

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### Q17

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Food Security. The IPCC Special Report on Land and Climate Change Summary for Policy makers (2020) articulates major emissions reduction can be achieved from adopting a primarily plant based diet (B6.2). Will you advocate for public health policies that promote proper nutrition and dietary change by Moreland residents as per the IPCC (C2.4)?

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### Q18

Buildings, Biodiversity and Urban cooling: What would you do as a Councillor to ensure that with new building developments, Moreland has sufficient vegetation cover to contribute to biodiversity outcomes and urban cooling beyond existing policies in the Urban Forest Strategy, Moreland Nature Plan, and the Achieving Zero Carbon in the Planning Scheme – ESD Policy v2.0 project?

This question reminds me of the Talking Heads song Nothing But Flowers, which ironic lyrics show how we as humans are never satisfied. The absurdity of the lyrics is pointing out how we are destroying the planet. However, simply planting trees with appropriate cover in the correct places is the only way to go.

### Q19

Cement Emissions. Use of Portland Cement contributes to 8% of global emissions. Alternative low emissions/zero emission cement products are available at reasonably competitive rates. Will you commit to amending Moreland Council Procurement policy sustainability filter to purchase low carbon/zero emissions cement/concrete products?

(no label)

**Agree with Reservations**

### Q20

Climate Citizen Assemblies: Under the new Local Government Act 2020 (community engagement policy), all councils in Victoria are required to use deliberative practices for the development of their Community Vision, Council Plan, Financial Plan and Asset Plan, at the bare minimum. The gold standard of this kind of democratic, deliberative practice is a Citizens' Assembly. So, will you support such a democratic framework for Council's climate emergency response by establishing a Citizens' Assembly?

(no label)

**Undecided**

### Q21

What are your top four priorities for the Council Plan to be formulated for 2021-2025.

Priority 1

**Additional Support services for the elderly**

Priority 2

**Creating an animal shelter**

Priority 3

**Improving the safety in Moreland**

Priority 4

**Improving mentoring and support services for young adolescents**

### Q22

Do you have any other comments on Council Climate Leadership and Advocacy (include any actions you have taken on this)? Do you have any supplementary comments relating to the questions above, comments on other issues related to climate change not covered, or comments on climate change generally?

Since Nominating, I am learning a lot. I don't profess to know it all and I know this is a steep learning curve. But having said this am humbled to be given the opportunity to provide my thoughts.