

I am a dedicated family man and long-time local resident with 18 years of working and volunteering experience in our community.

I am married and have 6 children under the age of 17. My wife and I have been foster parents for 6 years supporting many children with providing a safe and nurturing environment on a temporary and long term basis.

I have previously worked in local government roles for 21 years in various locations across Perth and the Pilbara mainly in parks and project management. I bring a deep understanding of policy and procedures within local government. This knowledge will assist me to make informed decisions and support local growth whilst advocating for sustainable environmental management and well maintained public open space.

I have built strong connections within local committees, currently serving as Chair of the St John Paul II school board, parish council committee member, and Wanneroo Junior Football Club committee member while coaching my son's team. These roles have helped me grow personally, foster trust, and influence positive outcomes within these community groups.

My commitment is to inclusivity, ensuring everyone's voices are heard and embraced in our community across recreational, social, and business aspects.

I pledge accountability, transparency, sound financial management and effective oversight of council business while remaining community focussed.

Thank you for taking the time to read my statement.

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