



President and Board Elections 2025

**Election of
Director**

Metropolitan West Region

Voting instructions,
candidates' statements
and photographs

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PEREYRA, Elena

A fresh, experienced voice. As a first term councillor, I bring new perspectives and energy to the role, and a strong background in urban development, planning, and advocacy. My expertise in affordable, sustainable housing research, design, and policy positions me to address the housing crisis, championing equitable, community focused development. I understand the critical role of the MAV in advocating for greater local government influence at state and federal levels. I have a strong strategic vision and want to ensure that the west's unique geography and needs inform MAV's priorities and support member councils effectively. My expertise aligns closely with MAV policy platforms, including access to well located, affordable housing, greater council control over planning and infrastructure investment, and a quality, integrated transportation network connecting schools, employment, and communities. As Vice President of BikeWest and Maribyrnong Swifts Football Club, and Chair of CoHousing Australia, I have led advocacy efforts in these key areas. As a foster carer, I understand the impacts of domestic violence, financial stress, addiction, and gambling on our communities. I believe in regional collaboration, not competition, and will push for fair funding that reflects the size and needs of the west, so we can thrive together. 0423836555

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MAJDILK, Kathy

As a current MAV Board member, it's an absolute honour to serve the Western Metropolitan region the past 4 years. During this time the MAV has grown in maturity and has refined as a board advocating for the needs of the sector and our communities. A long-standing Councillor of 16 years and 4-time Mayor, I have extensive board experience with a Masters in Business Administration & Entrepreneurial Innovation, Graduate of the Australian Institute Company Directors and a Diploma in Local Government. I have extensive board experience in the not-for-profit and social enterprise sector. I'm passionate about the west, we are vibrant & dynamic, the backbone of the State and as a region we collectively work well together knowing our strengths and understanding important issues that affect our communities like the housing and cost of living crisis, cost shifting and the sustainability of our region. Good governance, policy development, strong leadership and building relationships with all levels of Government/stakeholders are important pillars for the MAV to remain effective as the voice for the LG sector. It would be an honour to support you and your Council as a MAV board member, advocating for the needs of our region, sector and community.

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McGUIRE, Shannon

The six councils of the Metropolitan West region have diverse and unique challenges, both individually and as a group. My commitment to you is to listen, understand, and advocate for the specific needs of your community, while aligning with the broader goals of the Municipal Association of Victoria. I will work to ensure that our voices are heard in shaping active local democracy. Our region, with its dynamic and growing population, needs a strong focus on inclusivity, community connection, and accessible local government. I will advocate for policies that promote better health outcomes, both physical and mental, tailored to the needs of our diverse communities. With climate change and sustainability pressing, I will push for solutions that not only address environmental concerns but also stimulate economic resilience and growth in our region. Importantly, I will always prioritise First Peoples' voices, supporting their engagement in local government relations. And in promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion, I will work towards ensuring that every resident of our region feels respected and valued. Together, we can build a resilient, sustainable, and thriving region for today and for future generations.