

## ROBERT BRIA – CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

The following statement is authorised by Robert Bria, [4 Annesley Avenue, Trinity Gardens SA 5068](#).

I am proud to serve as Mayor of a council widely regarded as a leader in Local Government. This is a reputation we should all be proud of.

As a Councillor for eight years and now as Mayor, I have had the privilege of working alongside Elected Members, council staff, residents and local business owners who share my passion for making a difference to our community.

Since becoming Mayor, I have led a stable council that has consistently delivered positive results. Projects and programs I have initiated during this time include:

- Young Achievers' Scheme
- ANZAC Avenue of Honour (St Peters)
- upgrade of the Glynde Corner (including undergrounding of powerlines and streetscape)
- The Parade Masterplan
- 'Food Secrets of Glynde and Stepney'
- scramble crossing for The Parade/George Street intersection
- partnership with the City of Burnside to co-promote Magill Road traders
- formally involving children and young people in the consultation process for the Council's Strategic Plan, Payneham Playground and The Parade Masterplan.

More recently, I took the lead to secure the future of the Norwood Library, with the Council unanimously supporting my motion to reinstate \$3.5 million for the Library's upgrade.

Over the past four years, the Council has almost halved its debt and residential (average) rate increases are at historic lows.

I believe the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has an exciting future and I want to see it continue to thrive as a progressive, inclusive and caring community.

Drawing on my experience and understanding of issues across our City, my commitment is to continue providing the leadership and stability our community deserves.

If you want accessible and responsive representation that delivers results over the next four years, I respectfully ask for your support in this election.

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## **Sue Whittington**

### **Candidate for West Norwood/Kent Town Ward**

I have lived in Norwood for over 30 years, loving its charm, character and community spirit. Over that time I have seen it change. In recent times, with a regrettably greater erosion of Council control over development, I think some of these changes have not been in the best interests of the community. For instance, the State Government has approved some high-density housing projects in our Ward with substantially less than normal provision for carparking, and today we see too much competition between residents, businesses, visitors and CBD commuters for our limited onstreet parking spaces.

The Council has started a City-wide review of parking, intended to address such issues. West Norwood, Kent Town and Hackney are well-established near-CBD suburbs, with mostly narrow roads, and are experiencing quite strong population growth. For these reasons, if re-elected I will strive to see our residents' needs given the highest priority in Council's ongoing parking review. It should not be a daily headache to find a carpark space!

The State Government's intended overhaul of development planning may well lead to more than just continued parking problems for our Council: the future of our Historic Conservation Zones and Character Areas may be threatened. Our City justifiably takes pride in its built heritage, with Hackney, Norwood and Kensington being especially rich in historically-significant buildings. If re-elected I will continue to fight hard for their preservation and protection.

Council's essential services (maintaining roads and footpaths, rubbish collection, etc) are complemented by many others – economic development to support existing and new businesses; community services for social support ; cultural heritage and public art programmes; libraries, parks, environmental initiatives, and much more. All of these are paid for by you, the ratepayer, and if re-elected I will seek to maximise the value gained from each dollar of yours that Council spends.

Finally, as I write this, the State Government is considering an application by Peregrine Corporation to place a HELIPORT on top of their planned new offices at the corner of Portrush Road and The Parade. I find such a concept objectionable in every respect.