

A TRUE LOCAL

STANDING FOR BURNSIDE COUNCIL

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ROSE PARK & TOORAK GARDENS WARD

Your street. Your rates. Your say.

I've lived in Toorak Gardens since 2013 and run my own practice for twenty-five years. I'm standing for Burnside Council because sitting on the sidelines isn't enough any more.

"I listen, then I find practical solutions."

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Voting closes 7 April 2027

THE PLAN

Four things, in plain English

Every figure here comes from the council's own budget papers. If I can't source it, I don't say it.

24.1%

Rates, in three years

Council adopted rises of 9.8% in 2024-25 and 6.95% in 2025-26, and has set 5.69% for 2026-27. Council should be held to the same standard as every household.

Source: City of Burnside Annual Business Plans, 2024-25 to 2026-27

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Rates, roads, rubbish

Verges, footpaths, litter. Residents tell me the basics are slipping. Done properly, before anything else.

$68.5m

A leaner council

What council spends to run each year. Rates pay for the core, extras opt-in. Share the back office with neighbouring councils and justify every outside spend in writing.

Source: 2026-27 operating expenditure, City of Burnside

First

You hear first

Most ratepayers heard about the Burnside Hospital redevelopment and the ACH proposal after the fact. Big decisions should reach you before the vote, in plain English.

Tell me what's slipping on your street

One line is enough. A footpath, a verge, a bill, a decision you heard about too late. I read every one and I reply.

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Council elections are by post. Your ballot pack arrives in the mail. Voting closes **7 April 2027**.

Sorry I missed you. I knocked on _____ at _____. Tell me what's slipping at petervarricchio.com and I'll reply.

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