# **District Council of Robe**



### **Election of 6 Area Councillors**

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M Sherry, Returning Officer

#### PEEL, Kylie

Photograph Not Provided I have lived in the Robe Council area for over 20 years. I am a farmer on our family farm at Mount Benson with my Husband Jason and two teenage boys. I am a self employed business owner of a guided Mountain Bike Tour business in Robe. I am a qualified Mountain Bike Development Instructor and extremely passionate about outdoor activities. My Mountain Bike Tour business gives me the opportunity to showcase to the wider community, local school groups and tourists, the stunning areas of Robe, whilst delivering a wealth of knowledge of Robes history and stories to how Robe stands today. I believe that my business is an important part of Robes community as it is attracting tourism and growth to our local businesses through hospitality, accommodation, retail and other tourism activity businesses. I will strive to work collaboratively with elected members to make sound decisions to ensure that Council reflect community needs. The importance of building a good community leadership is my goal.

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#### WASSON, Fred

I have lived in Robe for the last 36 years and married to Marcia and have three children and eight grandchildren. Serving in the Royal Australian Navy for 21 years including active duty in Borneo, Malaya and Vietnam campaigns, I have an empathy for fellow returned veterans and their families. I also have a very wide experience of local government, having been employed by the Robe Council for over 27 years. I have the time and energy to commit to attend meetings and my interests include better facilities for the older generation living in our district, roads, parks and gardens, the cleanliness of our town and value for money for our rates. My involvement in local clubs include on committees of the Golf Club, Tennis Club, Junior and Senior Football Clubs, Save the Obelisk, Robe Institute, 20 years on the CFS, past president of Robe Lion's Club and current president of Robe RSL. If elected I will make myself available to listen to and represent constituents to the best of my ability.

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## DENING, Marcia

Returning to Robe after spending several years persuing a working career in defence, education and library and information sectors, Marcia has a demonstrated commitment to the local community being locally employed and a volunteer on many local organisations and sporting clubs, including the Robe Netball and Tennis Clubs, Robe History Group, local RSL Sub-Branch, local schools and the Cemetery Group. Ensuring the stability and future direction, of the Robe District is achieved through strong governance and community engagement and partnership Marcia will actively commit to development training, and representing the views, concerns and expectations of residents and ratepayers. Maintaining and improving services, assets and infrastructure, whilst maintaining financial sustainability; along with acknowledging, encouraging and supporting the valuable contribution volunteer teams can offer small, and often under resourced, councils is an area Marcia will be looking to promote and build on.

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#### RUFFELL, Lisa

Your voice in council. Married with 3 children and 8 grandchildren. I've been in small business for over 40 years, involved with many local sporting and community groups. Served as a Councillor/ Mayor for 8 years in Bendigo, Victoria. We relocated to Robe 6 years ago, currently have two small businesses here. I am the treasurer for the Robe RSL and I volunteer my time and expertise for many other local groups in the area. I'm very passionate about our community and planning for the future infrastructure and working to ensure a vibrant and caring place for our business and tourism to grow; getting back to basics. Roads, drainage, footpaths, landcare, and the protection of our coastal habitat. The most important role as councillor is looking after you the locals and residents of Robe. Let me be your Voice on Council. Lisa Ruffell 0422445605

> I live in the area Contact Details: 0422 445 605 I am a member of the Liberal Party of Australia (SA Division)



## **BROWN, Nick**

I have been employed in Local Government since February 2000 and I have undertaken the Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer roles during my career. I live in Robe and currently work for the Kingston District Council. I have a proven ability to build and sustain positive community relationships and I have a strong strategic focus and I will ensure that Council delivers quality and sustainable services to the community. I have the commercial skills and experience to manage an operating budget of \$8 million and assets in excess of \$90 million in a financially sustainable manner. I will act with respect and integrity and ensure that Council is accountable to the community. If you would like to contact me, please do not hesitate to ring me on my mobile number 0477 199135. I take responsibility for the content of this profile. Email nicholas.brown11@bigpond.com Mobile 0477 199135

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#### WRIGHT, Ned

Retired company director, Councilor Mt Barker DC 2003-2006, DC Robe 2006-2010 and 2018-2022. Member of Audit Committees, Development Assessment Panels, Advisory Groups and Child Care Committees during these elected member roles. I have a background in retail and manufacturing, commercial leasing, and agriculture. I currently serve as a First Response Volunteer Ambulance Officer with the Robe SAAS team. I live in Robe with my wife, Amanda, a retired HR executive, and have two adult children. I would like to use my experience and knowledge to continue to assist the DC Robe build a strong and cohesive community with a vibrant economy, and that is inclusive, diverse, and socially and environmentally healthy. I have a solid understanding of the local government process and the issues that require the attention of our council over this next term, and believe I can add value to the decision making process. My email is simon.ned.wright@gmail.com, mobile 0413750804.

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#### **MURPHY, Mark Francis**

I am a strong community minded person. I have previous served as a councillor in the Tatiara District Council for a period of 10 years. I am very conversant with the Local Government Act. I am passionate of sporting clubs and the community township of Robe as whole having lived here for approximately 2 years and a land owner for 4 years. I have a strong desire to represent the Tourist Industry, the Fishing Industry, the Hourticulture and diversification of farming, new and old housing, rentals and small business. Also I am very interested in the existing and future infrastructure of the Robe District Council. My aim is to serve the rate payers and will serve the council in a honest professional manner. If elected I will commit to and represent the community to the best of my ability. markanderica@bigpond.com 0408 055025

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## ALEXANDER, Kristina

Alexander, Kristina I am A Hairdresser/owner, I have had a business in town for 8 years. I am therefore in regular contact with a large portion of the Robe Community. I have previously been an elected member for two terms back in 2005. I am a founding and current President of the Robe Surf Life saving club. I have four adult children and three grandchildren. Two of my girls also live in Robe Community. I am passionate and proud of the diverse Robe Community and would like to help shape the future of this ever growing town.

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## FRIED, Peter Anthony

I am married to Julia and have four adult children and now semi retired living in the historic Ormerod Cottages here in the heart of Robe. I have an extensive knowledge of building construction and a hands on approach to the renovation and appreciation of older style buildings. The last 46 years I have worked as a corporate auctioneer and realtor. I have a vast knowledge of property, values, development and division of land as well as a general understanding of real estate transactions. Over the years I have contributed to the Adelaide community as an auctioneer raising much needed funds for schools, clubs and charities. I have a love and passion for Robe and if elected will listen to and represent the community of Robe with that same respect and passion. I am totally a team player and would like to be more actively involved in making good decisions with a level headed financial approach moving forward. It's not about the individual it's all about the community.

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#### **BAKER, Mark Andrew**

I have been a resident of Robe for 40 years, have four children, three of which live in Robe, I live with my partner Marsha Chappel. I have operated two businesses employing local people. My current civil construction business has had a long involvement with local government over the last 30 years contracting to numerous local councils throughout South Australia and more recently Victoria. where I have gained a unique insight into council operations. This has been valuable over the last three years as an elected member of the District Council of Robe. I have been involved with a number of community groups, beginning with the CFS in 1983, Robe Council - Councillor 1987-1988 and 2019 -2022, Robe Primary School Governing Council, Robe Motor Sports, President of Robe Junior Football committee, 12 years on the Robe Community Bank Board including 5 years as Chairman. If you would like to contact me I am available on 0409677084 or email bakerbca@bigpond.com

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## YOUNG, Duncan Thomas

I am a local farmer with a diversified business background. Married with four children and eight grandchildren I have been a life time Robe regular and in 2018 acquired a local farm and a home in the town. I understand the needs of the Robe and rural communities and if elected I would like to address the issues of long term accomodation, high energy costs, maintenance of rural roads and securing community land and assets for future generations. I am actively involved in land conservation having planted over 2600 trees and schrubs on my farm recently. I am a member of the Robe Football Club. I live in Robe. I am not a member of a political party. Contact dtyg@bigpond.com 0428835259

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#### LAURIE, David Park

I am living in Robe with my wife and we operate a fencing / clothing business with our two children. I have been an elected member of Council for the last term and during the term was elected deputy mayor. As an elected member I have been a member of the cemetery advisory committee, the audit committee and the sport and recreation committee. It has been a privilege to represent the people of the district of Robe and those who visit. I am a member of the golf club and my children play sport in the local football and netball competitions. I have enjoyed being part local government and look forward, if elected, to being part of making decisions on behalf of the Robe Council. If I am elected I am looking forward to listening and working with our community so that we as a council can make our community strong.

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