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A BETTER Eurobodalla

for open, accountable and responsive government



In Eurobodalla we're calling for:

- Open, accountable and responsive local, state and federal government.
- A council with a sustainable, practical vision that can cost-effectively meet the needs of residents and ratepayers.
- Local government that actively and accurately represents Eurobodalla residents' interests to state and federal government.
- Candidates for the 2021 local government election who genuinely listen; who tackle key issues of concern and urgency and who safeguard the interests of all of us.

What we've been up to.....

Candidate Update

In early May, ABE met with Eurobodalla Greens candidates who will be standing for the Council elections on 4 September. The Eurobodalla Greens launched their ticket of 4 at the end of April along with the key issues that they will take to the elections: the need for council to be more accountable to residents and ratepayers; improving the liveability of the shire through creating safer, better connected and more resilient communities; and environmental responsibility by working with council staff to take action on climate change.

ABE previously met with Councillor Anthony Mayne who is seeking re-election. We understand that he has now finalised his ticket which will be launched in June. We hope to meet with him and other candidates on his ticket then.

More information about these, and other candidates, will appear on the Candidates page of the ABE website (abettereurobodalla.org) in the coming weeks as existing councillors and new candidates declare their intention to stand.

If you know of anyone who is thinking of standing for Council in September's elections ask them to get in contact with us at:
abettereurobodalla@gmail.com

Letters

ABE is continuing to write to Council about matters that are being raised with us by the community. We are publishing these letters together with Council's responses on our website. Where we feel that Council has not adequately addressed the issues we have raised, we have noted this on their responses.

Candidate Forums

ABE is planning to organise candidate forums across the Eurobodalla as we get closer to the elections.

We are starting to compile questions that will be put to candidates at these forums. Get in contact if you would like to be involved in this process.



Public Appearances

In early May, ABE once again presented to Council's Public Access Session on an issue that has been raised often with us by the community - the alienation of public assets. This includes the sale of public land, the closure and sale or lease of community facilities and the removal of public access rights. We provided examples and spoke about the poor public consultation practices and lack of transparency associated with these events. Our next presentation will be at the Public Access session on Tuesday 1 June and will be about the lack of community involvement in bushfire preparedness and recovery.

If you want to know more, check out the ABE Presentations page on our website.

Register to Vote

Council elections are only 12 weeks away. All non-resident property owners in the Eurobodalla are entitled to one vote per household. The non-resident electoral roll is now open and closes on Monday 26 July.

The outcome of these elections will be important for the future of the Nature Coast so make sure your voice is heard on Saturday 4 September 2021.

To find out how to register and vote visit our webpage: abettereurobodalla.org

Look out for us

ABE will be out and about at markets over the long weekend in June (Queens Birthday) talking to part-time residents about registering to vote in the Council elections and to full-time residents about why it is important to vote in these elections. If you can help us hand out ABE flyers on that weekend, or any other weekend, please contact us. Otherwise look out for our banners and come and say hi.

If you support the work we are doing and would like to become involved please get in contact with us at:

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