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About the Candidate

I’m the son of a family of refugees who left the Soviet Union in 1988, and I was born here in Melbourne. I’m a software developer who lives in Mordialloc and I have been an advocate for this community’s needs. I have been the Treasurer and Acting President of the Kingston Residents Association and am an experienced director and a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. I’ve been part of the campaign to push for a Climate and Ecological Emergency in my local council. I live to serve our community and am running to fight for meaningful climate action, protecting our waterways and wildlife, and growing access to public housing for those who need it.

What will you do to support economic growth and attract investment in Greater Dandenong while ensuring residents can access jobs and training opportunities?

Greater Dandenong makes things, and the Victorian Government should be buying what it makes. The Greens want public housing built at scale again, and that pipeline can be a secure local jobs program. I back Greater Dandenong Council's call for a pilot with local manufacturers on modern construction methods, so more of those homes are built faster here in the south-east. I'll also back the Southern State Significant Industrial Precinct audit and investment roadmap, so investment in Dandenong South is planned, not piecemeal. Residents need a way into those jobs. That means properly funded TAFE, with public training money going to TAFE rather than private providers, and courses linked to the industries growing here, including clean manufacturing and electrification. I'll back help for local businesses to electrify and cut their energy bills, which keeps them competitive and keeps jobs local.

What will you do to ease cost-of-living pressures for residents, particularly on housing affordability and supporting low-income households?

Housing is the biggest cost for most households. I rented in this electorate until late 2023, so I know how much a rent rise takes from a weekly budget. The Greens want limits on rent increases, and the Victorian Government building public housing again: homes it owns and runs. With over 5,000 households here seeking housing assistance, we need to be doing more. I'll back Greater Dandenong Council's calls for greater investment in homelessness prevention, specialist homelessness funding that keeps pace with demand, and stronger standards and licensing for rooming houses. Pokies took $141 million from Greater Dandenong in 2024–25, so I've committed to mandatory carded play with a compulsory loss limit. I've signed the Victorian Cheaper Power Pledge, and I'll back multi-year funding for the financial counselling and outreach delivered through the Anti-Poverty Consortium.

What do you propose to improve community safety and address crime challenges in Greater Dandenong?

Nearly 2,000 family violence crimes were recorded in Greater Dandenong in 2025, and three in four victim survivors are women. I support expanding the Alexis model, and I'll fight to bring it to every family violence investigation unit in the South East. Community safety is more than policing. I back Greater Dandenong Council's place-based crime prevention work, including expanding the Empowering Communities model, and investment in what prevents crime in the first place: secure housing, less gambling harm, and support for young people. Emergency services are essential too - The Greens have committed $10 million for a new Keysborough CFA station, and if elected I'll fight to have it funded in the next budget, whoever forms government.

What transport projects will you prioritise for Greater Dandenong if elected?

For Keysborough, the 828 bus comes first. It links Berwick to Hampton through Greater Dandenong, and I'll push for higher frequency and wider coverage as part of the south-east bus overhaul Greater Dandenong Council is calling for, along with upgrading Route 800 to SmartBus standard. The Greens have long called for a review of Melbourne's bus routes to deliver more frequent, direct services. I support a business case for upgrading Dandenong Station, with an extra platform and a bigger bus interchange, so the south-east's key hub keeps pace with growth. I'll back completing the Djerring Trail to give seamless cycling and pedestrian access from Yarraman into the Dandenong CBD, as well as safety upgrades on the Jacksons, Elonera and Chandler Road corridor. I've also signed Bicycle Network's Gimme 5 pledge for 5% of the transport budget to go to strategic cycling corridors.

Is there anything else you would like Greater Dandenong residents to know?

Mordialloc District includes part of Keysborough, and I'll represent those areas as strongly as the bayside suburbs. I back the Back Your Neighbour campaign. The Greens have long supported permanent protection for refugees, and the Victorian Government can make health care and services easier to reach for people on bridging visas. The green wedge in Keysborough and Bangholme should stay green, with community facilities like schools and places of worship inside the Urban Growth Boundary, close to public transport and the people who use them. Whoever forms government, I'll take Greater Dandenong's priorities to Spring Street.