

SUNBURY

Get to know your candidates

Leader joins key organisations to bring Jacksons Creek Ward nominees to the people at special memorial hall event

Barry Kennedy

VOTERS in Hume Council's Jacksons Creek Ward are urged to weigh up their candidates at a special forum next week.

All 13 candidates standing for the three ward positions have been invited to the Sunbury Community Health event at Sunbury Memorial Hall on October 13.

Jacksons Creek Ward Meet the Candidates 2016 is sup-

ported by *Sunbury Leader*, Sunbury Business Association and Sunbury Radio.

Sunbury Community Health building healthy communities executive manager Bernadette Hetherington said she hoped the forum would allow candidates to place firm and positive plans and ideas for the ward into the public arena before sending in their postal votes.

"We hope this forum will be community-focused and

conducted in a spirit of collegiality and good humour," she said.

Each candidate will make a three-minute presentation to outline their concerns, passions and priorities should they be voted onto council.

Then a question-and-answer session will follow, facilitated by Dr Annie Bolitho.

Dr Bolitho will take handwritten questions on the night, rolling similar questions into one topic.

Voters can also participate by asking questions before the night through Facebook, twitter and email.

All questions need to be relevant to all candidates and posts to social media must identify who the author of the post is, while excessively negative, rude or derogatory comments and questions will be removed.

Sunbury Leader editor Peter Taylor urged residents in Jacksons Creek Ward to

take part before they mail their postal votes.

"It's the perfect opportunity to better understand your candidates and what they can do for the community," he said.

Hume residents will receive their ballot pack by post this week and must return it so it's in the mail by 6pm on Friday, October 21.

For more information about the election, visit vec.vic.gov.au/HumeElection

THE FORUM

- Sunbury Memorial Hall
- October 13, 7-8.30pm.
- Details: Bernadette Hetherington, 9744.9554 or bernieh@sunburychc.org.au

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