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2018 Municipal Election Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate Name:

Municipality

Date:

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Please return the completed questionnaire to the sender as soon as possible, but no later than October 4, 2018. **N.B: As this is a Word document, you can take as much space as you wish to respond.** The answers will be posted on the AWARE Simcoe website.

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1. Water is a finite resource. Do you feel there is a need to protect water, wetlands and recharge areas from development, aggregate extraction and other intrusive activities in your municipality? If so, how will you achieve this?

ANSWER

Through legislated and local policies

2. Development charges never fully cover the cost of new development. Will you make sure that all costs that *should be* paid by development charges under existing legislation *are* covered? When considering an application, on what basis will you decide whether a development is a net benefit for the community?

ANSWER

Growth needs to pay for growth not the existing residents. In our case past OMB cases have decided most of our future growth

3. Do you support/oppose expansion of the Greenbelt into Simcoe County? In either case, please explain why.

ANSWER

If the expansion meets the already very strict criteria. The local and provincial governments have spent hundreds of thousands of tax payers dollars to protect water resources . One would wonder how any future restrictions will effect our farming community and the ability to have limited growth in our smaller communities.

4. Simcoe County Council chose a county forest in Springwater – zoned Agricultural – as the site for a (needed) waste handling facility, the Environmental Resource Recovery Centre. Springwater Township objected, pointing out that this is an industrial use and there are suitable properties zoned Industrial. What is your view?

ANSWER

I believe this site is centrally located and in close proximity to a major highway connecting our community. There will be no visual impact and the regulations set out by the various Ministries will set the standard on operational requirements. I believe the operation of composting is agricultural related and transferring other County collected materials fits with the process. The Provincial Government will have the final input on this much needed facility. We need to manage our own materials not ship them to another communities back yard.

5. Since 1924, the Ontario Tree Seed Facility in Angus performed a vital task for the whole province of coordinating seed collection from 37 zones across the province to ensure seedlings are returned to grow in the zone to which they are uniquely suited. The Progressive Conservative government is reviewing the closing ordered by the Liberals. What is your opinion on this matter?

ANSWER

Keep seed plant open period

6. If elected, what are your top three priorities?

ANSWER

Residents First

Responsible Planning

Affordable Taxes

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Thank you for completing the *AWARE Simcoe* candidate questionnaire