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Tomaree Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc.

2015 NSW State Election – 'Meet the Candidates' Forum

Nelson Bay Bowling Club – 7:00 pm 09 March 2015

As we have done consistently at all Local and State Government elections since our inception in 2008, TRRA Inc. has invited candidates to take part in a public forum with a view of bringing them and their constituents together for a robust discussion in a properly controlled environment. Our invitation states:

"Dear Candidate

We extend an invitation to you as a candidate for the NSW State Election to participate in the Meet the Candidates Forum which TRRA Inc. has arranged in the run-up to the 28 March NSW State election.

The objective is to provide an opportunity for candidates to introduce themselves to the voting public, to provide a brief statement of their priorities for the coming term of government, and to answer questions on matters of concern.
Similar events organised for past elections were welcomed by candidates as a chance to personally present themselves and their visions directly to the electorate. Of equal importance is the opportunity to assist voters to cast an informed vote.

There will be a media campaign involving print and radio outlets and an advertisement will be placed in the Examiner publicising the time and location for the meeting. Already we have had good editorial coverage of the Forum in this weeks' Examiner."

The successful format developed at the previous Council election forums will return, with the Projected Digital Timer to ensure everyone receives equal time. There will be an opportunity for candidates to introduce themselves and outline their visions and policy commitments, some relevant policy questions projected on the screen for all to answer, and an opportunity for them to take questions from the floor in a moderated format. A right of reply from the candidates will round off what we believe will be an entertaining evening and a function that the people of the Tomaree peninsular who care about the representation they are going to vote for in the coming election must attend.

This forum open to the general public, come along and 'Have Your Say'

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