

Peter Kafer, standing for Mayor and West Ward.

Response to Port Stephens Greens questionnaire, received 22/8/17

Fyi

I have not done much at all in recent weeks as i have been dealing with my Health issues ...[details removed by PS Greens].

Your Greens members will probably not support me, whatever i write.

YOU xxx have been a fairly regular attendee at Port St Council meetings during the past 9 years and therefore you should have a fairly good understanding of where I stand on most if not all your questions.

I was as you know the PERSON AND COUNCILLOR who started putting notices of motion before Council from 2010 onward seeking the WEBCASTING and I persisted with same until WEBCASTING was introduced in the months before the 2012 Council elections and in the first year of the 2012 _ 2017 Council term I bought several notices of motion back before Council for the re introduction of the WEBCASTING.....

The Council meeting cycle of 2012 - 2017 has been a JOKE we need to change that, back to the old way.

I stand proudly behind my HERITAGE ... a man of Dharawahl nation and also my 1st Fleet Convict Heritage

So, in regard to my position on Environment - I hold with my TRADITIONAL ways, things taught me by my father and my Uncles..... and beliefs in Dreamtime and spiritualism there entailed.... MOTHER EARTH is most important to me and again, if you had been an attendee at Council, you would have heard my references to same.....

I have endured the hardest 5 years 2012 - 2017 Council term ever..... with little to NO support from any or many directly to me, from Community, and I have taken MANY MANY HITS along the way, that you and many others have NOT seen or are aware of.

I will continue to do things the way I have always done, supporting MY Community and the networks who have supported me from Community.

I am still a card carrying member of the NSW BRANCH ALP, but I am NOT part of any ALP ticket for Council. I keep my ALP membership, solely so I can utilise my membership in helping and assisting my Aboriginal Community and the members of same....we are over 4000 strong in the Port Stephens area fyi....

As you may or may not know, I am an Aboriginal artist and I am funding much of my campaign from sale of my artworks.

I hope this goes someway in answering queries or questions..... I am a simple uncomplicated person, who does give a damn about fellow humans..... unlike others who are standing, posturing on behalf of business groups, developers, political posturing

Peter