

Candidate Details



Ballot paper name	HARP, Gerry
Candidate name	GERRY HARP
District	Shire of Esperance
Nominating for	Councillor for Town Ward
Election type	Ordinary
Enrolment status	HARP, Gerry is eligible to stand for election as a resident of the Shire of Esperance.

Local, Experienced, Committed. As a proud Esperance local for over 35 years. I am running for council because I believe in a stronger, more connected Esperance. A town where families thrive, businesses grow, and everyone feels they belong.

My Experience - Farming, Local Government, Building & Community Services has seen me actively involved in creating jobs & homes, balancing care with accountability in rehabilitation and practical, people-first decision making.

My Priorities - Support small business & attract investment, expand mental health & family services, create opportunities for young people and continue to improve recreation and community spaces.

My Promise - I lead by listening and will represent the community as a whole with integrity, transparency, and a commitment to build a better future. Let's make our town, Esperance, not just a beautiful place to live but a thriving, inclusive, and sustainable community for generations to come.

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Additional Information

BUILDING A STRONGER, MORE CONNECTED COMMUNITY - Hi, I'm Gerry Harp - 59 years old, husband, father of four and proud grandfather of three. Family is at the heart of everything I do, and it's what drives my passion for building a better Esperance for future generations. I've lived and worked in this beautiful town for over 35 years, gaining hands-on experience across Farming, Construction and Community Services. These roles have given me a deep understanding of the challenges we face and the opportunities we can seize, together.

EXPERIENCE THAT MATTERS - From building homes to managing a rehabilitation centre, I've always focused on creating real, lasting impact. As a Registered Builder, I've helped families put down roots and supported local jobs. As a General Manager in Community Services, I've worked to ensure vulnerable people get the care they need, with compassion and accountability. I've also worked within Local Government, giving me insight into how council decisions affect everyday lives. I believe in practical solutions, clear communication, and leadership that listens.

LEADERSHIP YOU CAN TRUST - I lead by listening. I believe leadership means bringing people together, hearing diverse voices, and making decisions that serve the whole community, not personal interests. I've been actively involved in local churches and sporting clubs, mentoring young people and supporting families. These connections have shown me how strong communities are built through trust, inclusion, and shared purpose.

WHY VOTE FOR ME? Because I'm not just running for council, I'm standing up for the town I love. I've raised my family here, worked across industries that reflect the heartbeat of Esperance, and I'm committed to making sure our town remains a place where people feel, safe and proud to live. Let's build a future where Esperance is not only beautiful, but thriving, inclusive and full of opportunity.