

## **SMITH, Ellen**

I'm invested in a future for the Shire of Broome that supports diversity, equality and transparency.

As the Chief Business Development Officer at Nyamba Buru Yawuru, I work to activate projects that deliver prosperity for Yawuru people and the broader community. Having worked in State Government, I also have an in-depth understanding of bureaucratic processes and an extensive network.

As an active community member, I enjoy belonging to the Broome Surf Life Saving Club, Beach Volleyball, Triathlon Club, and a local book club. I'm a board member of the North Regional TAFE Governing Council, and the Rural, Regional and Remote Women's Network of WA.

I have strong leadership capabilities as an alumnus of the National Seafood Industry Leadership Program, Committee for Economic Development Australia - Copland Leadership Program, and the Australian Rural Leadership Program.

In collaboration with the community, I will seek to achieve the following outcomes:

- ✓ **Enhanced community safety**  
Increasing safety in our community through the introduction of security night patrols, and improved lighting to our streets and public open spaces.
- ✓ **Easing household and family pressures**  
Addressing the rising cost-of-living by advocating for improved household access to solar power.
- ✓ **Addressing the workforce crisis**  
Increasing available childcare places by taking an innovative approach to training and employment pathways to support a local workforce, and enabling parents to get back into the workplace.
- ✓ **Advocating for community-led infrastructure**  
Developing prioritised and community-led infrastructure, like a safe boat launching facility, while ensuring we're developing in an environmentally conscious way.

Having lived locally for nearly eight years, my husband and I feel very privileged to be able to call Broome, 'home'.

There is power in our collective voices. With the right leadership and community collaboration, we can shape a town which we all feel safe, and proud to call home.