

Clare Murphy

Nomination for Committee Member, Committee of the Celtic Club



I'm a national security and foreign policy professional with think-tank, state and federal government experience. I hold a Bachelor of Arts and Master of International Relations/National Security, and my policy analysis has been published widely in Australian media. A keen user of social media and online platforms, I joined the Committee of Management to better connect people from different generations and walks of life with a common interest in Irish-Australia. I record and produce *The Celtic Club Melbourne Podcast* – Melbourne's only Irish podcast - bringing you interviews, news and insights into Melbourne's Irish community.

I was selected by Ambassador Breandán Ó'Caollaí to speak on the young Irish diaspora at the 2019 Link+ conference at the Irish Embassy in Canberra, run by Irish Minister for Diaspora Ciaran Cannon as part of the Irish government's Global Ireland strategy. I closely follow Irish issues, particularly involving the young diaspora, and my analysis on repealing the 8th amendment was featured in *The Lowy Institute's Interpreter* in March 2018.

A proud moment for me as a committee member was 'selling out' of chocolate Guinness cupcakes at the Celtic Club stall at the 2019 Melbourne Irish Festival. I've promised to bake a bigger batch next year. I seek your support for myself as member, and my colleagues Brian Shanahan, Helen McNamara, Conrad Corry, Denis Swift (office bearers) and Ciaran Crehan, Brad Green, Peter Hudson and Eileen Dunn as fellow members.