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MEDIA STATEMENT

MID MURRAY WELCOMES NEW WARD COUNCILLOR

The Mid Murray Council announced the election of its newest Councillor, Deb Brokenshire, on Friday, 25 February 2022.

A supplementary election was held to fill a vacancy for a Ward Councillor in the Eyre Ward, following the sad passing of Councillor Dennis McCarthy.

Voting in the supplementary election closed 12:00 noon Monday, 21 February 2022, with 607 formal votes received and three candidates contesting the vacancy.

Following the count on Tuesday, Mrs Brokenshire was provisionally elected on 263 votes, ahead of Jakob Gamertsfelder and Wayne Tredrea, with the result of the election confirmed by Electoral Commission SA on Friday 25 February 2022. Mrs Brokenshire will officially start her duties at the next Council meeting in March.

Mayor Dave Burgess welcomed Mrs Brokenshire to the new role.

“Elected Members and Council staff congratulate Deb and look forward to working with her to continue our work to deliver essential projects and services to the Eyre Ward, and our wider Mid Murray community,” Mayor Burgess says.

“We thank the voters in Eyre Ward for their active participation in the supplementary election process to select their new representative, which is entirely voluntary.”

Mrs Brokenshire comes to the role with over 30 years’ experience in local government, as well as a passion for serving the community, and is enthusiastic about the opportunities the role presents.

“I am extremely honoured to have been elected by the community of the Eyre ward to continue the great work of Cr McCarthy and ensure his legacy continues,” Brokenshire said.

“During the campaign I visited many local businesses and community groups in the Eyre ward to learn and better understand their concerns, ideas, hopes for the future of their town, the ward and the district overall, and I am very excited to now be able to continue with these conversations and work with my fellow Council members with the aim to achieve some of these goals.”

For more details on the supplementary election, visit <https://www.ecsa.sa.gov.au/elections/mid-murray-council-eyre-ward-21-february-2022>

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