

## New Mayor and Deputy Mayor elected

Councillor John Schelling was elected Mayor of South Gippsland Shire following the Mayoral Election at Wednesday's Council Meeting.

Councillor Sarah Gilligan was elected as Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Councillor Schelling and Deputy Mayor Councillor Gilligan will remain in these positions for the next 12 months.

### **Quote attributable to Councillor John Schelling, Mayor South Gippsland Shire Council:**

*"I would like to sincerely thank my fellow Councillors for the opportunity to be Mayor, and for supporting me in this role. I've thoroughly enjoyed the last three years at Council and look forward to the next four where we can continue to build a strong and united South Gippsland."*

*"I would also like to thank my family for supporting me to take on this new role."*

### **Quote attributable to Councillor Sarah Gilligan, Deputy Mayor South Gippsland Shire Council:**

*"Thank you to my fellow Councillors for trusting me to do the role of Deputy Mayor. I look forward to being part of a leadership team that understands the importance of teamwork. Mayor Schelling and I are committed to upholding the reputation and high function of this Council to enable good decision making for the good of the whole Shire. Let's do this thing!"*

### **Quote attributable to Kerryn Ellis, Chief Executive Officer South Gippsland Shire Council:**

*"It was pleasing to see Councillors put their hand up to be considered for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor positions. These positions are extremely important to the smooth operation of Council. I look forward to working closely with them over the next 12 months."*

*"I would also like to thank those from the community who attended the meeting and watched online to see the new Mayor and Deputy Mayor be elected."*

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