

ATTACHMENT 2:

MAYORAL ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

Thank you, fellow councillors, for supporting me for a second term.

I am committed to good governance, kindness and inclusion in my role as Mayor and welcome the opportunity to continue to lead the Strathbogie Shire Council as we navigate flood recovery, build strong partnerships with the new federal government and continue to work with the state government in the wake of the election later this month.

I will continue to develop relationships with our many stakeholders and build on these key relationships which are integral to the success of Strathbogie Shire Council.

I am committed to fostering a collaborative approach within our council networks and I believe this will be critical to a successful recovery post floods. So many in our sector, our neighbours, have been hit by the floods and I know that if we work cooperatively together we will have greater success in our recovery endeavours.

I acknowledge that the focus of the coming year has shifted significantly in response to the floods and whilst this will be the priority of our work, I will continue to ensure we work to achieve our council plan to the best of our abilities.

I look forward to continuing to work with our incredible community, my council colleagues, CEO Julie Salomon, staff and our partners in state and federal government to ensure that we have a strong, sustainable and financially sound future for our shire and community.