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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Mayor Announces Leonie Brown as Bourke's New General Manager.**

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Mayor of Bourke Shire Council, Councillor Barry Hollman today announced the appointment of Mrs Leonie Brown as its General Manager following an extensive recruitment campaign.

"I am very happy to announce that Leonie Brown is the successful candidate for the role of General Manager at Bourke Shire" Councillor Hollman said.

He continued, "Utilising the services of an external recruitment consultant, Local Government Employment Solutions, Council has gone through a rigorous process to get to the point of determining the successful candidate. This has involved two (2) rounds of advertising with the Councillor recruitment panel not initially satisfied with the quantum of applicants, stemming from the first round of advertising for the role, to allow sufficient comparison between candidates."

The Mayor noted that as a result of the position being readvertised there was a significant increase in applications allowing the Recruitment Panel to bring forward final candidates for interview by the full Council at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 16 May 2022 where it was determined that Mrs Brown was Council's preferred candidate.

"I congratulate Mrs Brown on obtaining the role and on her signing a five (5) year employment contract with Council and look forward to working with her for the betterment of the Bourke Shire" the Mayor said.

Mrs Brown has worked at Bourke Shire Council for 20 years and has successfully held the position of Manager Corporate Services for 16 of those years.

"I very much look forward to leading the organisation of Bourke Shire Council and working with the Community, Councillors and staff." Mrs Brown said. "With the current positivity in the Bourke agricultural sector, the level of tourism activity in our Shire, the amount of work currently underway given the level of grant funding and the impending opening of the Thomas Foods Processing Plant, the opportunities for Bourke are most exciting."

Mrs Brown will commence in her new role effective Monday 4 July 2022.

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