

## Deputy Chair Elected

South Gippsland Shire Council elected Mr Christian Zahra AM as Deputy Chairperson for a term of 15 months at its meeting this week.

The role ensures the continuity of Council business when the Chair is absent by enabling the Deputy to chair a meeting, attend civic functions and share workloads.

South Gippsland Shire Council's Administrator and Chairperson Julie Eisenbise congratulated Administrator Zahra AM on his election.

"The Deputy Chair will assist in providing leadership and formal representative presence at civic, ceremonial and public engagements and chairing Council meetings on occasions where I am unable to do so.

"I thank Administrator Zahra for his support and congratulate him on his successful appointment in this new role," said Ms Eisenbise.

South Gippsland Shire Council's Administrator and Deputy Chairperson Christian Zahra AM was thankful for the position.

"I welcome the opportunity to serve in this additional capacity as Deputy Chairperson to provide support and ensure continuity of decision making in the formal business of Council," said Mr Zahra AM.

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