

MEDIA RELEASE



Subject: **Resignation of Chief Executive Officer**

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THE RURAL City of Murray Bridge announced today that Michael Sedgman has advised of his intention to resign as Chief Executive Officer, effective 12 May, 2023.

Mayor Wayne Thorley advised that Michael tendered his resignation on his acceptance of the role of Chief Operating Officer with the City of Adelaide.

“Michael has served our community and Council in his role of Chief Executive Officer since 9 June 2015. Over the subsequent almost eight years Michael has been responsible for the management and leadership of our organisation in the delivery of Council’s vision of ‘Thriving Communities’.

“Michael’s achievements over this time have been significant and include the establishment of the Foundational Frameworks relating to Strategy, Good Governance, Financial Sustainability, Organisational Culture and Risk Management. These have included development of our Community Plan 2016-2032, Economic Development Strategy 2020-2032, Strategic Plan 2016-2020, Strategic Plan 2020-2024, Riverfront Strategy and Sturt Reserve Masterplan.

“Significant projects delivered on Michael’s watch have included our Town Entrance Statement Signage, the Murray Bridge War Memorial, the Murray Bridge Regional Rowing Centre, Adelaide Road Linear Park, Sturt Reserve Masterplan Implementation, the Lerwin Nursing Home Expansion and Refurbishment and the Murray Bridge Swimming Centre Redevelopment.

“I thank Michael for his contribution to Council and our community during his service over the past almost eight years and congratulate him on his appointment to his new role at the City of Adelaide.”

Michael Sedgman said that it was not a decision he had made lightly or without some regret.

“I have greatly appreciated the challenges, opportunities and achievements provided through the course of my role with the Rural City of Murray Bridge.

“I also believe that with the induction of the newly elected Council complete, the development of the 2023-24 Annual Business Plan and Budget progressed and the Roadmap for the development of the next Strategic Plan set, now is the appropriate time for me to make way for the Council to initiate the recruitment for the Chief Executive Officer that will support the Council and lead the organisation in the delivery of our Community Plan vision of ‘Thriving Communities’ through the current council term and beyond.”

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