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Cockburn Council vacancy following resignation of Lara Kirkwood

Cockburn Mayor Logan Howlett has acknowledged the resignation of East ward councillor Lara Kirkwood.

Ms Kirkwood's resignation from Cockburn Council is effective from Friday, 10 February.

City of Cockburn Acting CEO Emma Milne said it was not yet known if the vacancy would be filled as part of the normal local government election cycle in October 2023, or if an earlier election would be held.

A report will be presented to Cockburn Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 9 March 2023.

Popularly elected in May 2018 and re-elected in 2019, Ms Kirkwood spent four years and nine months as a City of Cockburn councillor, including two years as Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Logan Howlett thanked Ms Kirkwood for her service to the community as a dedicated elected member of the City of Cockburn.

"During her almost five years on council Lara served on several standing committees and reference groups working diligently to represent east ward and the wider Cockburn community," Mayor Howlett said.

"The Council extends its best wishes to Lara as she embarks on the next phase of her life."

Ms Kirkwood said she would remain in Cockburn as a resident and continue working, volunteering and advocating in the local community, adding to her many years as a volunteer with the Aubin Grove Community Association and Neighbourhood Watch.



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“I am proud to call Cockburn home, it is absolutely the best place to be,” she said.

“During my time as a Cockburn councillor I was a strong advocate for the Kwinana Freeway upgrade from Russell Road to Roe Highway, and upgrades to Radiata Park, which are now complete.”

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