

Media Release

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Three Councillors retain seats and one new Cockburn councillor elected following Local Government elections

The City of Cockburn welcomes one new and three re-elected Councillors following the Local Government election in the City of Cockburn on Saturday which saw a turnout of 28.23 per cent of electors participating in the non-compulsory Ordinary Election. The Council will welcome the following Councillors:

- Carol Reeve-Fowkes was re-elected to the east ward with 50.34 per cent of the vote.
- Carol (LeChun) Zhang was newly elected to the east ward with 15.90 per cent of the vote.
- Tom Widenbar was re-elected to the central ward with 58.58 per cent of the vote.
- Phoebe Corke was re-elected to the west ward with 65.62 per cent of the vote.

Cockburn Council will elect a Deputy Mayor at a live streamed Special Council Meeting at 7pm Monday, 30 October. During the Special Council Meeting, Elected Members will also:

- Set Elected Member fees and allowances
- Appoint membership of Committees and references groups, and
- Appoint delegates to external organisations including the WA Local Government Association and the Local Emergency Management Committee.

Mayor Howlett congratulated the newly elected and re-elected Councillors and wished them well for their tenures.

“Being an Elected Member is both a privilege and an honour, that comes with a great deal of responsibility. Being the closest level of government to our electors means that we make many decisions that impact the everyday lives of our community as we continue to strive to make Cockburn the best place to be.”

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