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Transformed Cockburn in CEO search as it wishes Tony Brun well for new aviation industry challenge

City of Cockburn Mayor Logan Howlett has accepted the resignation of CEO Tony Brun who will take on the role of Avalon Airport CEO in Victoria later this year.

Wishing Mr Brun well, Mayor Howlett thanked him for his invaluable input and impact during a significant structural review, reform and transformation program at the City of Cockburn.

"Tony hit the ground running and worked hard to bring the community, elected members and staff on our transformation journey," Mayor Howlett said.

"We'll be sad to see him go and congratulate him as he takes on this exciting new role and challenge".

Mr Brun, an experienced executive, civil engineer and company director, is a recognised leader in infrastructure, community engagement and strategy creation.

Mr Brun arrived at Cockburn 18 months ago from his previous role as Head of Planning at Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne where he oversaw the planning functions.

Apart from overseeing the preparation and adoption of the City of Cockburn's fiscally responsible 2022-23 Budget, in his time at Cockburn Mr Brun has finalised a review of the Corporate Business Plan, establishing new Service Level Plans, Corporate Purpose, Objectives and Key Performance Indicators.

Mayor Howlett said these achievements set a new benchmark for transparency and forward planning in local government.

"The structural review has resulted in significant new talent joining the City and the Executive now better reflects the community with a 50:50 gender balance," Mayor Howlett said.

"Tony also brought a focused advocacy approach, positioning Cockburn Central as Perth's 'capital of the south', highlighting the four major commercial precincts of the Australian Marine Complex/Latitude 32, Bibra Lake Business Park, Cockburn Central and Jandakot Airport City."

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Mr Brun thanked Mayor Howlett and the Council for the opportunity to lead the organisation during a period of transformation.

"I am proud to have worked alongside so many committed staff at the City who at all times showed great passion, skill and commitment in delivering world-class services to the Cockburn community," Mr Brun said.

Mayor Howlett said Council would consider the process of recruitment including establishing a CEO Selection Committee at the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

"We are confident given the organisation's strong position and the growth of the Cockburn area there will be strong national interest for this top tier chief executive role," Mayor Howlett said.

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