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**Amanda McClaren to lead as Mayor for another two years**

Councillor Amanda McClaren will lead the Council to the end of its four year term, having been recently re-elected as Mayor for another two years.

This was determined at a recent Statutory Council Meeting, where Council also resolved not to elect a Deputy Mayor for the next twelve months, providing the opportunity for Ward Councillors to rotate Mayoral duties in Cr McClaren's absence.

Cr McClaren said she was truly honoured to be afforded the opportunity to continue to lead as Mayor for the next two years.

"It is a privilege to be given the opportunity to lead Council right through to the end of our term and I look forward to working closely with my fellow Councillors as a voice for our communities," Cr McClaren said.

"We've got so much more that we want to achieve, and with upcoming State and Federal elections, we will continue to advocate strongly for our region.

We are at the halfway point in our four year term and the next two years will be critical for our Council, particularly as we undertake the recruitment and appointment of our next CEO," Mayor McClaren said.

Council also determined that all Ordinary Council Meetings will be held in Euroa in 2019.

Mayor Amanda McClaren said the roving meetings just haven't had enough attendance to be considered viable.

"Our Roving Council Meetings over the last two years have provided a great opportunity for us to engage with communities from all corners of the shire, but we just haven't had the level of attendance from our community to continue them."

"We are currently exploring other opportunities to visit all of our communities, including looking at travelling for our community meetings each month," Cr McClaren explained.

Cr McClaren said she looks forward to leading Council to continue to strive for growth and improvement through commitment to good governance, quality service delivery and open and transparent communication.

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