

Allison Bitar takes on Deputy Mayor role

Tuesday, 22 August 2023

Allison Bitar has been appointed as Deputy Mayor of Alice Springs Town Council following a vote by Elected Members in Chamber on Tuesday afternoon. Elected Members voted for Cr Bitar to take the role after serving as an Elected Member for two years.

A long-term Alice Springs local, Cr Bitar has shown a dedication to public service during her time as Councillor. Cr Bitar is a strong believer in working together with people from all walks of life and will bring a fresh perspective to the role that will contribute to the growth and long-term prosperity of Alice Springs.

"I am honoured and grateful for this opportunity to serve Alice Springs in a greater capacity," Cr Bitar said.

"There are some extremely exciting projects on the horizon and I look forward to working closely with the Mayor, fellow Councillors, and residents to deliver improvements to the liveability of the community."

Councillor Bitar takes over the role from Cr Eli Melky, who has served in the position for two years. Each year, Councillors vote for the position of Deputy Mayor for a term of 12 months.

"Cr Bitar's election as Deputy Mayor is a testament to her wonderful service of the community. I am confident that her passion, dedication, and leadership will greatly benefit our Council and Alice Springs in general," Mayor Matt Paterson said.

"I would also like to thank Cr Melky for sharing his knowledge and insight throughout his service as Deputy Mayor."

Cr Melky has served as part of the 11th, 12th, 13th and now 14th Alice Springs Town Councils and has spent more than 10 years serving the community of Alice Springs.

Deputy Mayor Bitar will hold the position until August 2024.

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