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**24 January 2022**

## **Justine Farrugia to become Melton's newest councillor**

Justine Farrugia will be City of Melton's newest councillor after the VEC announced the results of the countback following Moira Deeming's departure from Council.

Justine brings a passion for building safer and more family-friendly suburbs so everyone can enjoy a good life wherever they live, work and play in the City of Melton.

An extraordinary vacancy arose following the announcement in December 2022 of Moira Deeming's election to the Victorian Parliament as a Member of the Legislative Council for Western Metropolitan Region.

Justine was declared the successful candidate on Monday 23 January 2023 following a countback conducted by the Victorian Electoral Commission.

### **Quotes attributable to City of Melton Mayor, Cr Lara Carli**

*"We are pleased that Justine has accepted the opportunity to represent our community and specifically residents in Watts Ward,"*

*Justine joins us at an exciting time as Council plans for our city's future.*

*We welcome Justine to Council and look forward to working together for our community."*

### **Quotes attributable to Councillor elect Justine Farrugia, Watts Ward**

*"I am delighted to be elected councillor for Melton City Council. I look forward to working with my fellow councillors and officers to deliver for our community.*

*My priorities this term are delivering safer streets, better infrastructure, and more services for our growing population, and I'm excited to work with a team all laser focused on delivering this."*

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