
South Gippsland Water announces the appointment of four new board members and welcomes back four returning board members

South Gippsland Water is pleased to announce the appointment of four new board members who commenced their roles on 1 October 2021.

We would like to congratulate and welcome our new chair; Philip Clark and our new board members; Carly Moore, Sumi Prabhakaran and Diana Nestorovska.

We would also like to welcome our returning board members; Nicholas Fleming (appointed 1 October 2019), Nicola Hepenstall (appointed 1 October 2019), Jennifer Ryan (appointed 1 October 2019) and Christopher Rose (appointed 1 October 2017).

Philip Clark, an engineer, brings extensive knowledge of the water industry, having previously been Chair at Westernport Water, ATEC Australia-International Limited and Engineers Without Borders Australia and a Director at City West Water. He is also Chair of Inverloch & Districts Financial Enterprises Ltd – Inverloch's Community Bank.

Diana Nestorovska is an experienced commercial and government lawyer with a focus on consumer law, intellectual property and privacy, and government practice with a focus on regulatory law and litigation. She is also a former Australian diplomat. Diana Nestorovska has previously served on the University of Wollongong's University Council and is currently serving as a Non-Executive Director of Family Planning Victoria and Melba Support Services.

Sumi Prabhakaran is a Civil Engineer with more than 30 years senior management and consulting experience in the water, municipal and government sectors. Sumi Prabhakaran is currently a Board member on the Boroondara Cemetery Trust in Kew and Chair of its Maintenance and Horticulture Committee. She is also on the governing committee of the Engineers Charity Foundation, involved in implementing overseas community development projects.

Carly Moore is a Certified Practising Accountant with over 20 years of experience across the public and private sectors. She is the founder of a consultancy business that provides strategic advice and support to encourage and promote small business success. In 2016 Carly Moore was elected to Hume City Council and served as its Deputy Mayor in 2017/2018 and Mayor in 2018-2020. Carly Moore is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) and has served on the Broadmeadows Revitalisation Board and community-based boards including the Salvation Army 3064 Advisory Board.

Water Minister Lisa Neville announced the appointments on Friday 17 September, saying that they will be responsible for guiding the state's water organisations through challenges such as climate change, a growing population, bushfire readiness and COVID-19 response.

Board directors come from all walks of life. They can be farmers, small business owners, project managers or other professionals. Because they have different experiences, they bring a range of different skills to water corporation boards. The State Government is proud to announce that since 2015 at least 50% of all appointments have been women.

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