Media Release

Buloke Assembles Executive Team

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Buloke Shire Council has made two significant appointments over the last few weeks, following on from the announcement of Anthony Judd as Chief Executive Officer earlier this year. Council has appointed Jerri Nelson to the position of Director Community Development and Wayne O'Toole as Director Works and Technical Services.

Jerri Nelson has worked as Executive Officer of North Central Local Learning and Employment Network (NCLLEN) for over 10 years. Her responsibilities included initiating, enhancing and maintaining partnerships at a local, regional, state and federal level. Jerri played a key role in advocacy, policy and inquiry responses to the state government with a primary focus on education, training, health and industry to improve outcomes for young people and their families.

Jerri's previous employment history included a management role at Northern District Community Health, as well as other management, coordination and regional community development roles.

Jerri holds a number of formal qualifications, including Management Education, and International Partnership Brokers Association training.

Having worked closely with many of Buloke's communities during her time with the NCLLEN, she is excited about joining the organisation.

"Buloke Shire is a great place and has much to offer; I am really looking forward to working closely with the team at the Shire, Councillors and importantly with the communities of Buloke as we share the vision for a vibrant future".

Jerri will take up her role on 17 September 2018.

Wayne O'Toole joined Buloke Shire Council in September 2017 as Manager Statutory Services before being appointed as Director Works and Technical Services.

Prior to joining Buloke, Wayne spent 7 years at Mount Alexander Shire in a number of roles including Manager of Development Services and Manager of Healthy Environments.

Wayne has a background in the private sector in Project Management and senior leadership roles and is undertaking a Masters of Business Administration.

"I'm excited to be given the opportunity to work here at Buloke as Council continues to deliver on a range of significant projects as well as deliver a high level of service across the municipality. I look forward to working with councillors, staff and the community".

Wayne is currently operating as Acting Director of Community Development and he too will take up his position from 17 September 2018.

Chief Executive Officer is pleased to have Jerri and Wayne joining his executive team alongside himself and Director Corporate Services Hannah Yu.

"It has been excellent to have been able to appoint two high calibre professionals in Jerri and Wayne to our executive team. Buloke has been able to consistently attract outstanding applicants for key positions. I have no doubt both Jerri and Wayne will bring an enormous amount of energy and expertise to Buloke in support of our great projects and the delivery of our Council Plan", said Anthony Judd.

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