

MEDIA RELEASE

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New LGMA National President announced

LGMA National has announced today that Dr Shayne Silcox has been named 2015 LGMA National Board president, with predecessor Mark Wither's 12 month presidency complete.

LGMA National CEO, Lauren Oakey said, "LGMA National is looking forward to working with Dr Silcox over the next 12 months to implement a range of strategic initiatives for LGMA National in the areas of advocacy, professional development opportunities for members, practitioner driven research and further strengthening our ties with international local government agencies".

Dr Silcox is currently the CEO of the City of Melville, one of Western Australia's largest local governments, with an annual budget of over \$153 million and physical assets of over \$800 million, staff of over 765 who have a commitment to effectively service its 106,000+ Customers. Dr Silcox's has over 40 years' experience in the Private, State and Local Government sectors.

Dr Silcox said of his appointment to the Board: "It is a privilege to represent the professional officers of the sector at the national level. I trust my contribution positively advances the LGMA and the officers we represent".

Among the top priorities for LGMA National in 2015:

- Delivering on a recently signed partnership between LGMA and the Australian Organisational Excellence Foundation to promote the Local Government Excellence Awards.
- Raising the bar and supporting local government to be a strong and productive, efficient tier of government in this country.
- Contributing to advocacy on behalf of the Federation at the Federal Level
- Practitioner driven research and providing opportunities for our members to shape and inform the national agenda for Local Government.
- Encouraging members to be active in LGMA National activities, through events, thought leadership, and contributing to our quarterly digital publication, LG Manager Magazine.

About Dr Shayne Silcox

Qualifications

- **Doctor of Philosophy** – Management and Marketing. (UWA).
- **Masters of Commerce** – Management. (Curtin University).
- **Post Graduate Diploma** – Management. (Curtin University).
- **Bachelor of Business** - Human Resource Management and Law. (Curtin).

Shayne has over 40 years' experience spanning the Private Sector, State and Local Government arenas. He has extensive government, corporate and commercial knowledge, direct experience in managing large workforces, as well as board and director experience across a wide range of small to large businesses. His career has seen him successfully operate in various industries sectors, including; Transport, Energy Research, Energy (Electricity and Gas), Business Development, Consulting (Business Excellence and Strategic Planning), Commercial Services, Management, Construction and Maintenance.

Having started his career as a heavy duty motor mechanic, Shayne worked full time to put himself through night school for 32 years non-stop while he and his wife Adele raised their two children together.

The outcomes of this journey have seen him lead multi-million dollar organisations. In doing so, he been recognised as the *Local Government CEO of the Year* (2014) and the Commonwealth Australia Day Honours with the *Public Service Medal* (2012). He has also won the *Order of Merit* from the Institute of Company Directors (2001), the *Human Resource Institute Prize* (1991), the *Curtin Alumni Medal* for academic excellence and leadership to the community (1994), *Local Government Honours* (WALGA) for commitment and eminent service (2006), *Industry Certificates of Appreciation from the City of Belmont and the EMRC* (2008), *National Customer Service Award* and the *National Business Excellence Medal* (2004), the *Western Australian Customer Service CEO of the Year in 2012 & 2008* and was runner up *CEO of the Year nationally*. In 2009 *The City won the World's most liveable City as assessed by the United Nations*.

Shayne describes the driving forces in his life as being a pursuit of excellence and a commitment to lifelong learning.

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