



Elected Chair of the Hawkesbury River County Council

Description



With HRCC General Manager, Chris Dewhurst, Hawkesbury MP Robyn Preston, and outgoing chair, Clr. Karen McKeown from Penrith Council.

Tonight I was elected as the new Chair of the [Hawkesbury River County Council](#), after serving for the last 12 months as Deputy Chair.

This is a great honour. I am the first Hawkesbury Liberal Councillor ever to be elected to this role.

The HRCC covers 3,823sq.km over four municipalities (Hills, Blacktown, Penrith and Hawkesbury). It has responsibility for waterway health through the control of weeds, and increasingly takes a role in terrestrial weed control as well under the Biosecurity Act. In this last year alone it conducted 2,014 property inspections. With its specialised assets like weed harvesters, and using new and innovative techniques like biological control ([Salvinia eating Weevils](#), anyone?), it plays a major role in caring for our local environment.

[Robyn Preston MP – Member for Hawkesbury](#) was elected as my Deputy! Considering she's my boss in another context, this was regarded with great mirth.

I'd like to thank the outgoing Chair, [Councillor Karen McKeown](#) for her steady hand over the last year, and our indefatigable General Manager, [Chris Dewhurst](#).

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