

# Media Release

**The Hon Melissa Horne MP**

Minister for Casino, Gaming and Liquor Regulation

Minister for Local Government

Minister for Ports and Freight

Minister for Roads and Road Safety



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## SECOND MUNICIPAL MONITOR FOR MOONEE VALLEY COUNCIL

The second municipal monitor has been appointed to the Moonee Valley Council to improve its performance and ensure it serves the best interests of the community.

Minister of Local Government Melissa Horne has today announced Prue Digby will act as the second municipal monitor following the end of her term in the same role overseeing the City of Greater Geelong from January 2023 to January 2024.

Ms Digby joins Mr Phillip Carruthers, the first municipal monitor announced last week – the pair will work for a period of six months until 29 July 2024 to support good governance at Moonee Valley Council before providing a report to the Minister at the end of their term.

The monitors' terms of reference direct them to advise and provide any relevant assistance and support to the council in relation to the improvement of the council's governance processes and practices.

The terms of reference for the Moonee Valley monitors are available at [localgovernment.vic.gov.au](https://localgovernment.vic.gov.au).

### Quotes attributable to the Minister for Local Government Melissa Horne

*"The community of Moonee Valley should rightfully expect high standards from their council – that is why the work of Ms Digby and Mr Carruthers is so important to improving its performance."*

*"Ms Digby brings considerable experience in state and local government, and I look forward to receiving the final monitor report at the end of the six-month term."*