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NEW MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR ELECTED TO CITY OF RYDE COUNCIL
Mayor – Cllr Jerome Laxale / Deputy Mayor – Cllr Christopher Gordon

The City of Ryde has a new Mayor and Deputy Mayor following elections held on Tuesday night, 26 September 2017.

West Ward Labor Councillor Jerome Laxale was elected Mayor for a two year term. Cllr Laxale previously held the Mayoralty in 2015-16.

East Ward Greens Councillor Christopher Gordon was elected as Deputy Mayor for a one year term.

In taking up office, Mayor Laxale thanked his fellow Councillors and the community for their support, adding that he was honoured to serve both and eager to unlock the enormous potential of the City.

“The community has elected a Council that will always stand up for what is best for our residents.

“Ryde now has a truly progressive Council that will act on housing affordability, protect the environment and use every resource it has to protect Eastwood Park.

The Mayor said Ryde is unique as a stand-alone Council following the State Government’s unsuccessful forced amalgamation. “With amalgamations rightly off the table, our City can focus on achieving great things for Ryde.”

The Deputy Mayor, thanked the Mayor and his fellow Councillors for entrusting him with the role of Deputy Mayor. Cllr Gordon said he looked forward to the opportunity of serving as Deputy Mayor and to working with the Mayor and the community in his new role.

“I believe the most important thing we can do as Councillors is to work together for the advancement of our City and its citizens with a new vision that will lift the spirits of the community.”

The next full meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday 24 October 2017, in the Council Chambers on Level 1, 1A Pope Street, Ryde, (above Ryde Library), commencing at 7.00pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend. www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings

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