

Wednesday, 15 September 2010.

## MAYORAL ELECTION 2010

Clr Artin Etmekdjian Elected Mayor

Clr Ivan Petch Elected Deputy Mayor

At the full meeting of Council on Tuesday 14 September, Councillor Artin Etmekdjian was elected as Mayor of the City of Ryde for a 12 month term. Councillor Ivan Petch was elected Deputy Mayor.

Clr Etmekdjian thanked his fellow Councillors for their support. “It is an honour to accept the role of Mayor of the City of Ryde.

“As the new Mayor for this great City, I would like to share with you my vision for the coming year. My main focus will be on improving and promoting our business prospects.

“Putting the City of Ryde on the business map has been partly achieved by the emerging importance of Macquarie Park, not only the largest employment centre for locals and home to many of Australia’s top 100 companies, but also as one of the largest knowledge bases in our nation.

“We are part of an ever changing, dynamic global market place and the exciting thing that technology has delivered us is the ability for small and medium sized businesses to operate on the world stage.

“I am keen to see our City prosper through innovation and partnership and we can do this by supporting the development and growth of local business.

Clr Etmekdjian thanked his fellow Councillors for their support and welcomed working with the new Deputy Mayor, Clr Ivan Petch: “Our pledge is to work as a unified team with the General Manager and staff for the betterment of the community. To listen, to respond and to guide as we shape our City for a sustainable future. I am confident we can achieve real progress.”

Clr Petch said he was honoured to be elected Deputy Mayor: “I look forward to working closely with the Mayor and my colleagues in taking the City of Ryde towards our goals.”

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