



**Brighton  
Council**

## **Media Release**

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From Mayor Leigh Gray

### **Vale Mr Tony Foster AM OAM**

On behalf of Brighton Council, it is with great sadness that I extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr Tony Foster who passed away on Monday 27 May 2024.

Tony served the Brighton Council as Mayor and Councillor for 34 years before his retirement in June 2021. He was Mayor for an incredible 28 of those years.

Tony worked tirelessly for the communities of the Brighton Municipality. The fact that Tony was Mayor for a continuous period of 28 years is testimony to the level of support he received from our community and his strong ability to represent the people of our area in a truly kind, fair and understanding manner. Tony was a very accomplished leader, with the ability to ensure that decisions of Council were seen through to the end. His focus on achieving Council's goals and objectives, even in the face of challenges, was unwavering and determined.

Under Tony's leadership as Mayor, Brighton experienced exponential growth, many improved and expanded services to the community, innovations were championed and Council was managed in a highly efficient and cost effective manner.

Without question, Tony leaves a legacy of a long list of achievements that strengthened our local economy and made Brighton a better place to live and work. Under Tony's leadership, Brighton Council developed from a quiet rural municipality to the vibrant, diverse and rapidly growing Municipality that we see continue to prosper and progress today.

We say a very sad farewell to a person of action, vision and humanity but his memory and legacy will live on in our communities. We send heartfelt wishes of love and support to his wife Noeline and all of his beloved family members and friends.

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