



## Debra Howe

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Debra commenced with Scenic Rim Regional Council as the inaugural General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity in December 2018.

Debra has worked in the private sector for more than 19 years and in her 24-year career in local government has worked across a range of disciplines such as arts and culture, economic, community and tourism development, planning and development, customer contact, health, building and plumbing, environment, major capital project delivery, investment attraction, event attraction and management, and placemaking and regional development.

Many of Debra's roles in local government have been at Manager or Senior Executive level.

Debra has held key positions at Queensland Councils including Brisbane, Crow's Nest, Toowoomba, Mackay, Livingstone, and now Scenic Rim, as well as Cites of Moreland and Port Phillip in Victoria. Debra's career also includes Queensland destination development at Tourism Events Queensland.

During Debra's membership of LGMA and the equivalent organisation in Victoria, she has participated in activities and events, and from time-to-time has been asked by the CEO of LGMA to speak at conferences, participate in expert panels or to facilitate at forums.

Debra has held previous Board positions.

Debra won the 2010 Queensland Telstra Business Women's White Pages Community and Government Award and completed in the Australian Telstra Business Women's Award.

Debra has been a Queensland Tourism Awards Judge from 2017-2020 and also a member of the Local Government Association of Queensland's Regional Economic Development Group. She holds a Graduate Certificate in Management and is a Justice of the Peace (Qual) Qld.

As an experienced Local Government management professional who is also a highly skilled practitioner, Debra is fully committed to serving on the LGMA Board, with the support of her CEO and sees this as an opportunity to give back by utilising her knowledge and experience for the advancement of LGMA members and the local government sector.

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