



Biography

Mayor Liz Schmidt has been married to husband, Owen, for over 50 years, with 5 children, 10 grandchildren with another on the way, 7 great-grandchildren, and a Maltese/shiatzu named Gus.

Born in Ingham, attending both primary and high school before moving to Townsville in 1995 to enable their family transport business to expand.

Loving the Towers lifestyle, Mayor Schmidt decided to relocate to Charters Towers in 2014, feeling at home amongst the friendly and inclusive community. Having access to all services and great retail options. Now retired after 37 years as a transport operator, she is a long-time advocate for the transport and rural industries.

This will be Mayor Schmidt's second term as Mayor having previously served as Mayor from 2016-2020.

Key Achievements:

- 2007 Australian Trucking Associations National Transport Woman of the Year
- Inducted into the Alice Springs Transport Hall of Fame
- Inducted into the Gatton Transport Hall of Fame
- Life member QLD and National Livestock and Rural Transporters Associations
- 2016-2020 Mayor Charters Towers Regional Council
- Chair of Northern Alliance of Councils 2016-2020
- Board member Infrastructure Australia

Community Involvement:

Mayor Schmidt is a member of many local clubs and associations and has assisted several organisations with governance guidance in recent years, a passionate advocate for Charters Towers and the rural community.

Personal Interests:

Mayor Schmidt has had little time for hobbies, however, enjoys dress making.



Portfolio Information

Portfolios

- Ex-Officio all portfolios
- Federal & State Advocacy
- Regional & State Representation
- Inter-government relations
- Investment attraction
- Community Strategic Plan
- Community Engagement Strategy
- Four-Year Delivery Program

Responsibilities

- Disaster Management
- Advocacy Committee
- Audit & Risk Committee
- North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (NQROC)
- Regional QLD Council of Mayors
- Big Rocks Weir (BRW) Steering Group
- Youth Council
- Saleyards Steering Group
- KRMP Steering Group
- Indigenous Reference Group
- Rural Industry Advisory Group
- Regional Arts Development Fund

Advocacy & Townships

- Full Advocacy Plan
- All Townships

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