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## Council affirms leadership team with CEO contract extension

The Town of Gawler has cemented its leadership team this week by extending the contract of CEO Henry Inat for three years.

Mayor Karen Redman said the decision followed an independent performance review by Perks Management Solutions which found Mr Inat had met and exceeded the requirements of his role.

"I'm pleased that the annual performance review for our CEO has concluded and that Council has recognised the CEO's strategic leadership and his success in working with business and community leaders," she said.

"A contract extension provides continuity of leadership alongside the elected members at a critical time in Gawler's growth phase.

"Over the past seven years, Mr Inat has overseen a range of key projects including the award-winning Gawler Civic Centre redevelopment, new office accommodation, collaboration with the State Government to secure the Gawler East Link Road and the Murray Street upgrade project and more recently redevelopment of the Gawler Aquatic Centre.

Ms Redman said over the next three years Council administration would be pursuing a range of exciting projects under Mr Inat's direction to build a strong regional economy.

"We're looking forward to making Gawler an even more attractive place to do business with more diverse offerings for our community that will create jobs and enrich our already enviable lifestyle," she said.

"Other key priorities include pursuing Gawler's boundary reform proposal and upgrades to recreation and sporting facilities at Karbeethan Reserve and Essex Park to reflect the needs of a growing population.

"Retaining our CEO means that in conjunction with elected members, Gawler's growth will continue to be carefully managed while harnessing exciting new opportunities that will set Gawler up for the future."

Mr Inat said he was pleased with the outcome of the review and was committed to the Gawler community.

"I'm pleased to accept the contract extension and will continue to work with administration and elected members to serve the best interests of the community and make Gawler a better place to live and work," Mr Inat said.

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