

New Leadership at Karinya House

Karinya House is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms Lavinia Tyrrel as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Karinya House. *(Effective February 2023 – Interim arrangements outlined below.)*

The role of the CEO is to carry on the inspiring legacy of Ms Marie-Louise Corkhill, who was the founding staff member and Executive Director of Karinya House. Ms Corkhill retired on 25 March 2022 after almost 25 years of extraordinary caring service during which time Ms Corkhill was recognised as the ACT Woman of the Year in 2017. Karinya House will always be thankful to Ms Corkhill for her dedication and service. We also thank Ms Corkhill, who will remain on the Karinya Committee and will always be a valued Friend of Karinya.

Taking on the new role of CEO, Ms Tyrrel will lead Karinya House into the next stage of Karinya's journey and will bring a new perspective to Karinya House, having worked in international development, particularly in projects supporting women. Lavinia is passionate about applying her skills and experience to her local community and has a great integrity and compassion for equity and justice for all. The Karinya Committee recognised Lavinia's care, compassion and personal alignment with the Karinya way and the calibre of her as a person both professionally and personally.

On her appointment Ms Tyrrel stated: *"I am truly delighted to accept the CEO role at Karinya House. It is such a privilege to be offered this opportunity, and I can't wait to join the team and continue the important work of Karinya House for women across the Canberra Region."*

It wouldn't be Karinya House without a little quirk however! And in this case, there is a baby on the way. Ms Tyrrel and her husband are expecting their second child in June. Ms Tyrrel will therefore commence in the role of CEO in February 2023. We look forward to Ms Tyrrel getting to know the incredible Karinya village.

For the intervening period Ms Belinda Munn will be Interim CEO. Ms Munn has been an extraordinary asset to the Executive Leadership Team in her role as Executive Officer since February 2020, having been a volunteer for many years prior. The Karinya House Committee is confident Karinya will continue to thrive under her capable stewardship. We also thank the Karinya Staff Team for supporting these transitional arrangements.

Karinya House continues to thank all within the Canberra Region community who are part of the Karinya Village. Thank you for your financial and in-kind support, walking alongside with us, supporting women across our region.

You can read more about the change of leadership at Karinya House on our webpage under the news segment.

<https://karinyahouse.asn.au/new-leadership/>

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