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## **ECCI FAREWELLS CEO**

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Grant Shipp, Esperance Chamber of Commerce and Industry Chief Executive Office, has announced that he will be stepping down from his position.

Mr Shipp said he was looking forward to new challenges.

"My time at the ECCI has been very enjoyable, and I'm very proud of the exciting things I've been able to achieve while in this role, including the ECCI's involvement in the SuperTowns process, hosting the 2013 WA State Coastal Conference, running the inaugural Home and Lifestyle Expo in 2014, investing in the next generation of Esperance leaders through the Future Leaders Program signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Goldfields Esperance Development Commission and the Shire of Esperance and how we constantly advocate and lobby on behalf of our members to truly empower business in our community," Mr Shipp said.

"However, the time has come for a change, and I'm looking forward to new challenges."

Ron Chambers, ECCI President, said that the Executive Committee were very sad to see Mr Shipp leave.

"Grant has been with the Chamber for nearly five years, and in that time has worked tirelessly to raise the profile of the ECCI, build on our membership and to deliver the best outcomes for our local business community," Mr Chambers said.

"While we're very sad to see Grant move onto new challenges, he has left the Chamber in safe hands, with capable staff and a strong Executive Committee supporting them."

"We are confident that the excellent staff we currently have are more than capable and have the capacity and versatile skillsets to fill this vacancy and continue to grow the Chamber.

Mr Shipp will finish with the ECCI on Friday 20 February before taking holidays.

"I would like to sincerely thank Grant for his tireless dedication to the Chamber, and wish him all the best with his future endeavours," Mr Chambers said.

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