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Provisionally elected members for Strathalbyn and Angas-Bremer 12 November 2018

Following months of preparation and local campaigning, Alexandrina is pleased to announce its provisionally elected members of council. The results will be official after final notification is provided to Council's Chief Executive Officer Glenn Rappensberg by the Electoral Commission of South Australia, expected on Friday 16 November 2018.

Over 8700 ratepayers and residents of the region submitted postal votes for the 2018 Council Elections in Alexandrina; having their say on who they would like to see represent them as both Mayor, and within both their own ward.

For the purpose of local government elections, Alexandrina Council is divided into five wards: Angas Bremer, Goolwa-Hindmarsh Island, Nangkita-Kuitpo, Port Elliot-Middleton and Strathalbyn.

During the campaign, there were 27 candidates vying for 12 positions on council. The provisional result is that Alexandrina will have eight new members representing residents across the five wards.

Subject to the final declaration of results, Keith Parkes has been re-elected Mayor for a second term.

With Ben Brazzalotto (elected 2014) and Anne Woolford (elected 2000) choosing not to re-nominate for council, Strathalbyn will have two new councillors: Craig Maidment and Rex Keily.

The Angas-Bremer Ward has provisionally elected one new councillor, Karyn Bradford, and retained the services of Councillor Michael Farrier.

Members of council provisionally elected to represent the other wards include:

- Goolwa-Hindmarsh Island Ward – Margaret Gardner, Melissa Rebbeck, John Carter, James Stewart (re-elected).
- Nangkita-Kuitpo Ward – Bill Coomans.
- Port Elliot-Middleton Ward – Michael Scott (re-elected) and Bronwyn Lewis.

Council's Chief Executive Officer, Glenn Rappensberg said he is 'very pleased with the level of participation for the 2018 Council Elections and looks forward to working with the Mayor and fellow Elected Members to deliver high quality community services and achieve strong outcomes for Alexandrina over the next four years'.

Council also sincerely thanks the retired and outgoing councillors for their years of service dedicated to representing their communities.

Of the outgoing councillors, Barry Featherston (Angas-Bremer) was elected in 2003, Grant Gartrell (Nangkita Kuitpo) was elected in 2006, Madeleine Walker (Port-Elliot Middleton) was elected in 2010, and Karen Lume (Goolwa-Hindmarsh Island) was elected in 2014.

The new council will take their oath at a Declaration Council meeting on Monday 19 November 2018.