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New Executive Director for Committee

Chairman of the Committee for Ballarat, Prof David James AO, today announced that Dr Doug Lloyd had been appointed new Executive Director of the Committee for Ballarat.

Dr Lloyd was most recently Executive Director of the Northern Territory General Practice Education Limited (NTGPE).

In the role he led medical education for general practitioners, junior hospital-based doctors and medical students across the Northern Territory.

Through the role he made a substantial contribution to rural and Aboriginal community development, bringing to reality the trend that when people train in a regional area they are more attuned to the local needs and more inclined to establish professional practice there.

Development in regional communities has been a strong theme in Dr Lloyd's professional activities for more than 30 years, much of which time was spent living and working in regional Victoria.

Dr Lloyd was foundation Professor of Education and Head of the School, Education at the University of Ballarat in 2000 – 2001.

His comprehensive academic background has include:

- Association Professor of Rural Education and Head of School, School of Arts and Education, La Trobe University – 1997 to 99;
- Associate Professor of Rural Education, Head of School and Dean of the Faculty of Education, LaTrobe University – 1990 to 96.
- Visiting Senior Research Fellow, CEMES, CNRS, Toulouse, France – 1989.

Dr Lloyd has a Bachelor of Science, Doctorate of Philosophy and Diploma of Education from the Monash University.

Dr Lloyd said he was eager to get to work, building links with business and institutional groups throughout Ballarat and region.

“Like all vibrant regions Ballarat faces great challenges. Such challenges have been met in the past and I am confident they will be so now and into the future. I will work co-operatively and positively to see that they are,” Dr Lloyd said.

Prof James said he was delighted the Committee had been able to appoint a person of such proven and academic achievement.

“I know Dr Lloyd will bring great strength, stability and innovation to the Committee and his knowledge of this region and Victoria, and its critical cultural, social and economic challenges, will be invaluable, Prof James said.

“I welcome him and look forward to working with him.”.

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