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MEDIA RELEASE

Glamorgan Spring Bay Medical Services Update

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council is pleased to report that a new permanent doctor at the East Coast Health Practice has arrived in Tasmania.

Dr M Abolfazl Ayati is expected to be joining Dr Winston Johnson at the Triabunna Practice on the 1st of November. Dr Ayati qualified as medical practitioner in Iran in 2012. After practicing overseas for several years, he was recently granted registration to practice in Australia by the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners. Dr Ayati's areas of interest include mental health, geriatrics and men's and women's health. He is also expected to complete a Dual Master of Public Health and Master of Business Administration shortly.

"Council is very happy to have secured the services of another permanent doctor for the Triabunna and Orford area. The access to quality medical practitioners is something that is very important to our ratepayers. We welcome Dr Ayati to our community" Mayor Robert Young said.

Mayor Young also thanked the State Government for their invaluable assistance in getting Dr Ayati to Tasmania during the current pandemic restrictions.

"It has been a long process to obtain the required approvals for our doctor to start, however we appreciate the State Government stepping in to get Dr Ayati in the state so he can commence practicing" Mayor Young said.

The outcome has been welcomed by the Deputy Premier and Minister for Health, Jeremy Rockliff.

"The Government recognises the importance of GP services in rural and regional areas. We welcome Dr Ayati to Tasmania and we look forward to him treating patients soon at East Coast Health" Mr Rockliff said.

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