

Senior leadership change for Port Hedland Industry Council

The Port Hedland Industries Council (PHIC) is pleased to advise the appointment of Mr Peter Pierre as Chief Executive Officer.

Mr Pierre brings significant leadership skills and a strong understanding of government policy and process to the role.

He has extensive executive level experience, holding several senior roles in government across the health, education, agricultural and transport portfolios.

Formerly the Director audit, risk and compliance for ACT Health, he was responsible for implementing future-state audit, compliance and risk management capability and culture across ACT Health.

Mr Pierre said he is looking forward to working with government representatives and the people of the Port Hedland community to ensure the long-term prosperity of Port Hedland.

“The Port of Port Hedland is one of the most significant pieces of infrastructure in Western Australia and is vital for the ongoing economic growth of the state and the region,” he said.

“While iron ore continues to dominate exports at the port, there are a range of other exports important to the regional economy including salt, manganese, copper concentrate and livestock. Emerging industries such as lithium are also driving a diversification of the commodities being mined in the region.”

“I’m looking forward on building on the work of the previous industry representative, Mr Verbeek, and continue to act as a liaison between industry, members of the community, local business and government representatives to ensure a shared understanding and vision for the ongoing growth of Port Hedland.”

Mr Pierre replaces John Verbeek, who has resigned from the role due to ill health. Mr Pierre will be based in Port Hedland and commences in the role on 5 June 2018.

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About the Port Hedland Industries Council (PHIC)

The Port Hedland Industries Council (PHIC) contributes to the scientific understanding of air quality in Port Hedland and promotes the sustainable co-existence of Industry and Community.

PHIC works to address cumulative industry issues, particularly in relation to the use of the Port Hedland Port.

PHIC provides a forum for information sharing and knowledge transfer, assists member companies manage and minimise the impacts of industry on the community and seeks to facilitate community and stakeholder engagement.

The organisation achieves its goals by focusing on developing and employing leading edge technology and by taking a committed, proactive approach to environmental protection.

PHIC was established by industry in 2009, and in line with the Port Hedland Dust and Noise Taskforce recommendations, its focus for the past few years has been on:



Managing an integrated air quality (and noise) monitoring program in Port Hedland and delivering technical information to the Port Hedland community about the impacts of dust and noise. This network provides an environmental monitoring and reporting system for Port Hedland, including access to real-time monitoring data for the community and general public via a monitoring website.

PHIC provides a single industry wide point of contact, facilitating community engagement in relation to the environment, safety and industrial development.

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