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Farewell to Dr Eve Merfield

It is with deep regret that Huon Valley Council announces the resignation of one of their much-respected general practitioners.

Dr Eve Merfield has been practicing at the Dover Medical Centre for six years. She delayed her retirement for two years because of the outbreak of COVID-19.

Acting Mayor Sally Doyle said Dr Merfield has brought a wealth of experience and expertise with her to the Dover Medical Centre and she will be greatly missed by the staff as well as the wider community.

“Eve has played a pivotal role during the current health crisis. We are extremely grateful to her for her continued support and passion in the health and well-being of our community.”

After training at Sheffield Medical School in England Dr Merfield moved to Australia in 1991 and originally trained in Emergency Medicine in various Queensland hospitals. She worked as a FACEM (Fellow of the Australasian College of Emergency Medicine) in Tasmania for several years, before turning to Rural General Practice.

Dr Merfield has worked in rural NSW as well as Tasmania. She spent one year at Casey Station, Antarctica and two years on Macquarie Island before settling near Dover. Her main interest is in Rural Emergency Medicine and other interests include improving access to services for rural patients.

Dr Patrick O’Sullivan and Dr Stephen Johanson will continue providing a friendly health care service at the Dover Medical Centre.

Recruitment has commenced to replace Dr Merfield. Community will be updated on the progression of this recruitment.

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