

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Rainbow flag to keep flying at Marion

The rainbow flag will continue to fly over Marion after council last night rejected a push to take it down.

Marion Council voted 7:4 not to rescind a decision which has seen the flag fly at its offices since June 9.

Deputy Mayor Luke Hutchinson said council's decision showed that Marion welcomed everyone to its community, whatever one's orientation.

"The decision to continue flying the rainbow flag sends an important message that everyone is welcome in our community, regardless of their orientation," Mr Hutchinson said.

"Council has looked at the issue in detail twice and has not changed its view."

Mr Hutchinson said there were no plans to debate the issue again.

"While not everyone will agree with our decision, it was made following passionate and respectful discussions and represents the overwhelming view of council."



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