



**COUNCIL MEETING OF  
THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**

**MONDAY, 8 JULY 2024**

**7:00PM**

**TOWN HALL BROADMEADOWS**

**UNCONFIRMED MINUTES**

**It should be noted that these minutes are not in their final form until Council has formally resolved to confirm them.**

**These minutes will be presented to Council for confirmation on Monday, 22 July 2024.**

Updated 16 July 2024



# HUME CITY COUNCIL

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**Minutes** of the  
**COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**  
held on Monday, 8 July 2024  
**at 7:00pm**  
at the Town Hall Broadmeadows

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Attendees:	a: Council	Cr Naim Kurt	Mayor
		Cr Karen Sherry	Deputy Mayor
		Cr Trevor Dance	
		Cr Joseph Haweil	
		Cr Chris Hollow	
		Cr Jodi Jackson	
		Cr Jack Medcraft	
		Cr Sam Misho	
		Cr Carly Moore	
	b: Officers	Ms Sheena Frost	Chief Executive Officer
		Ms Rachel Dapiran	Director City Planning and Places
		Ms Kristen Cherry	Act. Director City Services & Living
		Mr Adam McSwain	Director Infrastructure and Assets
		Mr Hector Gaston	Director Customer & Strategy
		Ms Fiona Shanks	Chief People Officer
		Mr Fadi Srour	Chief Financial Officer
		Ms Holly De Kretser	Manager Governance
		Mr Joel Kimber	Acting Manager Governance
		Ms Joanne Grindrod	Senior Governance Officer

## **Proceedings to be Recorded**

The Mayor reminded Councillors and members of the Gallery that an audio and video recording of the Council meeting will be made and published to Council's website within 2 working days of the meeting.

## **Gallery Behaviour**

The Mayor advised that they will invite members of the gallery to speak, for up to three minutes either in support of or against an officer's recommendation.

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

The Mayor read the following:

Hume City Council would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Country for which the members and Elders of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people and their forebears have been custodians for many thousands of years. The Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung, which includes the Gunung-Willam-Balluk clan, are the Traditional Custodians of this land. Hume City Council would also like to pay its respects to their Elders, past and present, and to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who may be here today.

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2. PRAYER

The Mayor read the following:

Hume City's religious diversity strengthens and enriches community life and supports the well-being of the citizens of Hume City. Hume City Council acknowledges the importance of spiritual life and the leadership offered by the Hume Interfaith Network (HIN). In recognition of the religious diversity of residents in Hume City Council has invited the HIN to take responsibility for the opening prayer at Council meetings. This evening's prayer will be led by Ahmed Kucukali, from the Islamic Sciences and Research Academy, on behalf of the HIN.

Mr Kucukali read the prayer:

May peace and blessing be upon you all.

In the name of God, the most gracious the most merciful, we gather today to gather today to made decisions on behalf of the Hume community.

O Lord, provide Councillors with the wisdom to exercise good judgement and provide them with the ability to remain impartial as they consider the merits of each matter before Council today.

May the decisions made today and everyday lead to better outcomes for those who call Hume home.

Amen.

3. APOLOGIES

Cr Jim Overend and Cr Jarrod Bell were apologies for this meeting.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Mayor read the following:

Councillors' attention is drawn to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's Governance Rules in relation to the disclosure of conflicts of interests. Councillors are required to disclose any conflict of interest immediately before consideration or discussion of the relevant item. Councillors are then required to leave the Chamber during discussion and not vote on the relevant item.

Nil.

5. CONGRATULATIONS AND CONDOLENCES

**CGM64 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION: CONGRATULATES LINDA SCOTT, PRESIDENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

**Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council writes to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) congratulating Linda Scott and thanking her for her work as the President of ALGA and for her achievements as president of that association over the last four years.

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES**

**6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Minutes of the Council Meeting of 24 June 2024, including Confidential Minutes.

**Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

**THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 24 June 2024, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.**

**CARRIED**

**7. ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCIL**

**7.1 Summary of Council Briefing Sessions - 3rd & 17th June 2024**

**Moved** Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

**That Council notes the Summary of Matters Discussed at the Council Briefing Sessions held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024**




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**Summary of matters discussed at a COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

**MEETING TITLE: COUNCIL BRIEFING SESSION**

**Date of Meeting: 3 June 2024**

**Time of Meeting: 6:30 pm**

**Place of Meeting: In Person and Online via Zoom**

The ground or grounds for any matter discussed at this meeting which was considered to be confidential is recorded in this meeting summary.

<b>COUNCILLORS PRESENT</b>	
<b>Cr Naim Kurt (Mayor)</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Karen Sherry (Deputy Mayor)</b>	<b>Apology</b>
<b>Cr Jarrod Bell</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Trevor Dance</b>	<b>Apology</b>
<b>Cr Joseph Haweil</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Chris Hollow</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Jodi Jackson</b>	<b>Apology</b>
<b>Cr Jack Medcraft</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Sam Misho</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Carly Moore</b>	<b>Online</b>
<b>Cr Jim Overend</b>	<b>In person</b>

OFFICERS PRESENT		MATTERS DISCUSSED
Ms Sheena Frost, Chief Executive Officer	In person	
Ms Kristen Cherry Act. Director City Services and Living	In person	
Mr Hector Gaston, Acting Director Customer and Strategy	In person	
Mr Adam McSwain, Director Infrastructure and Assets	In person	3.6, 3.7
Ms Rachel Dapiran, Director City Planning and Places	In person	
Mr Fadi Srour, Chief Financial Officer	In person	
Ms Fiona Shanks, Chief People Officer	In person	
Ms Megan Taylor Manager City Strategy	Online	3.1
Ms Brooke Watson, Manager Community Health and Wellbeing	In person	3.2, 3.3
Mr Joel Kimber, Acting Manager Governance	Online	2.1
Mr Mark Doyle, Manager City Parks & Open Spaces	In person	3.4
Mr George Osborne, Manager Economic Development	Online	3.5
Ms Danielle Prentice, Manager Waste and Sustainability	In person	1.1, 3.8
Mr Sam Ferrier, Manager City Safety	In person	1.1
Mr Savva Giannikos, Act. Manager Active Living	Online	3.7
Ms Michelle Bennett, Coordinator Climate Action Integration	Online	3.9

**MATTERS CONSIDERED:**

Order	Description	Names of Councillors who	Did the Councillor	Confidential grounds

		disclosed conflict of interest	leave the meeting?	
<b>Items Discussed</b>				
1.1	Waste Communications and Enforcement			
2.1	Review Council Minutes prior to confirmation			
3.1	Draft Aitken Creek Master Plan			
3.2	2024 Community Grant Project Round 2 outcomes & Year-Round grants update			
3.3	Response to Petition PJL307 regarding establishment of LGBTIQ+ Advisory Committee			
3.4	Street and Reserve Tree Policy			
3.5	Request for Financial Incentive – Sunny Queen			Private Commercial Information
3.6	Contract No. 30 23 3493 - Geach Street, Dallas - Road Reconstruction			Private Commercial Information
3.7	Contract No. 30 24 3523 - Leo Dineen Reserve Pavilion (Fitout)			Private Commercial Information
3.8	Contract No. 30172698 – Recyclables Kerbside Collection Service			Private Commercial Information
3.9	Contract No, 30 24 3561 – Energy Efficiency Street Lighting Hardware and Installation Services			Private Commercial Information
<b>Other matters dealt with:</b>				
	LG Pro Membership – correspondence from President			

Items not dealt with:				

**Meeting Closed at: 8:31 pm**

**RECORDED BY:**

**Sheena Frost  
Chief Executive Officer**



**Summary of matters discussed at a COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING**

**MEETING TITLE: COUNCIL BRIEFING SESSION**

**Date of Meeting: 17 June 2024**

**Time of Meeting: 6:30 pm**

**Place of Meeting: In Person and Online via Zoom**

**The ground or grounds for any matter discussed at this meeting which was considered to be confidential is recorded in this meeting summary.**

<b>COUNCILLORS PRESENT</b>	
<b>Cr Naim Kurt (Mayor)</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Karen Sherry (Deputy Mayor)</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Jarrod Bell</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Trevor Dance</b>	<b>Did not attend – no notification</b>
<b>Cr Joseph Haweil</b>	<b>Online from 6:55pm</b>
<b>Cr Chris Hollow</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Jodi Jackson</b>	<b>Online</b>
<b>Cr Jack Medcraft</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Sam Misho</b>	<b>In person</b>
<b>Cr Carly Moore</b>	<b>Online</b>
<b>Cr Jim Overend</b>	<b>Online</b>

<b>OFFICERS PRESENT</b>		<b>MATTERS DISCUSSED</b>
<b>Ms Sheena Frost, Chief Executive Officer</b>	<b>In person</b>	



<b>Ms Kristen Cherry Act. Director City Services and Living</b>	<b>In person</b>	
<b>Mr Hector Gaston, Acting Director Customer and Strategy</b>	<b>In person</b>	
<b>Mr Adam McSwain, Director Infrastructure and Assets</b>	<b>In person</b>	
<b>Ms Rachel Dapiran, Director City Planning and Places</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>1.1, 1.2</b>
<b>Mr Fadi Srour, Chief Financial Officer</b>	<b>In person</b>	
<b>Ms Fiona Shanks, Chief People Officer</b>	<b>Apology</b>	
<b>Ms Megan Taylor Manager City Strategy</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>3.10</b>
<b>Mr James McNulty, Manager Planning and Development</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Mr Joel Kimber, Acting Manager Governance</b>	<b>Online</b>	<b>2.2, 3.3</b>
<b>Ms Anne Mallia, Manager Family, Youth and Children</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<b>Ms Georgia Daly, Acting Manager, Customer Experience</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>Mr Robert Costa, Manager Finance</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4</b>
<b>Ms Ruth Robles-McColl, Manager Strategic Projects &amp; Places</b>	<b>In person</b>	<b>1.3, 3.7</b>
<b>Ms Astrid Hartono, Manager Infrastructure Delivery</b>	<b>Online</b>	<b>3.8</b>

**MATTERS CONSIDERED:**

<b>Order</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Names of Councillors who disclosed conflict of interest</b>	<b>Did the Councillor leave the meeting?</b>	<b>Confidential grounds</b>

<b>Items Discussed</b>				
1.1	Hume Submission Plan for Victoria			
1.2	Hume Submission - National Urban Policy			
1.3	Update: Jacksons Hill Arts & Culture Precinct			
2.1	Statutory Planning Reports			
2.2	Review Council Minutes prior to confirmation			
3.1	2024/25 Budget Adoption and Declaration of Rates Fees and Charges and Council Plan 2021-2025 (2024/25 Update)			
3.2	Submission to State Government on Cost Shifting and Financial Sustainability			
3.3	Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting 1 March 2024			
3.4	Review of Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff			
3.5	Complaints Policy			
3.6	Youth Opportunity Scholarship 2024			
3.7	Sunbury Community Arts and Cultural Precinct - Endorsement of final Concept Plan and the Next Stages			
3.8	Monthly Capital Project Update			Confidential attachment - Private Commercial Information
3.9	Correspondence received from or sent to Government Ministers or Members of Parliament			
3.10	National Urban Policy Submission			
<b>Other matters dealt with:</b>				
	Upcoming contracts			
	Housing target			

	<b>Sunbury Water Play</b>			
	<b>GAIC funding application- feedback on the Jackson’s Hill Community Centre</b>			
	<b>Prayer Event – Sprint Athletics Track</b>			
<b>Items not dealt with:</b>				

**Meeting Closed at: 8:40 pm**

**RECORDED BY:**

**Sheena Frost  
Chief Executive Officer**

**CARRIED**

**8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**PQ1179 PUBLIC QUESTION - BRONWYN HAYES**

Please enlighten us on exactly what is happening with the George Evans Museum in Sunbury. Will it ever reopen to the public?

**RESPONSE: ACTING DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & LIVING**

The former George Evans Museum closed at the time of the development of the Hume Global Learning Centre Sunbury.

Council currently has a project underway to enhance community access to the collection via improved spaces at the Hume Global Learning Centre. This will provide rotating displays of items from the collection in the main library space. a new storage area on the Lower Ground Floor, and an area for research.

This project will be completed by December 2024, and is designed to maximise community connection with these important items of local history.

Council officers are working closely with the George Evans Museum volunteers to support this important community outcome.

**PQ1180 PUBLIC QUESTION - BRONWYN HAYES**

I understand that all donated items are going to be digitalised but what is going to happen with all memorabilia once that is completed?

**RESPONSE: ACTING DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & LIVING**

The digitisation of items from the George Evans Museum collection is being undertaken to support greater access to the collection, regardless of where people live.

Once digitised, items will continue to remain in the collection as they currently are, and will still be available for display, research and viewing.

**PQ1181 PUBLIC QUESTION - MICHAEL RUSSO**

Can council please provide an updated ETA as to when the minor upgrade to the Dawson St shopping strip in Tullamarine will take place? Council advised earlier in the year it would be completed by the end of May 2024

**RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING & PLACES**

In response to community requests, an improvement plan for the installation of seating, planters, new bike hoops and bins at the Dawson Street shops was prepared in April. At that time, it was anticipated that the required items would be sourced from Council's stock of existing street furniture – hence we advised that installation would occur prior to end of May. Instead, new furniture had to be purchased – with resulting delays.

The installation of the first improvements – a large planter, seating and bike hoops, is scheduled for this week. Installation of new tables and chairs and bin surrounds will occur at the end of July.

**PQ1182 PUBLIC QUESTION - CHRIS O'NEILL**

How many council infrastructure projects between 2018-2024 have exceeded their budget by more than \$100,000?

**RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS**

To compile this information across six financial years, spanning two Council terms will take Council Officers a substantial amount of time. Via Council's website Council provides copies of its Quarterly Capital Works Report, Annual Budget and Annual Financial Statements that includes detailed information of expenditure against each project. This information highlights projects completed on budget, over budget and under budget.

Council Officers will reach out to the submitter to further discuss the question and see if it can be further clarified to reduce the workload required.

**PQ1183 PUBLIC QUESTION - CHRIS O'NEILL**

What projects have exceeded their initial budget by more than \$100,000?  
In the answer supply names and amounts \$AUD of each projects over run.

**RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS**

As above, Council Officers will reach out to the submitter to further discuss the question and see if it can be further clarified to reduce the workload required.

**PQ1184 PUBLIC QUESTION - MELINDA O'NEILL****Background Information:**

Recently, a new fill operation has commenced near the Canterbury Hills Estate, with entry at approximately 430 Riddell Road. Nearly 200 trucks per day are attending this site dumping spoil, soil, and clean fill under the guise of erosion management.

These trucks are utilizing various roads, including Gap Road, Dalrymple Road, Elizabeth Drive, and Phillip Drive. Of particular concern is Phillip Drive, where there is a constant stream of dog and trailer trucks speeding through residential areas, which are designated as 50 km/h zones. These fully loaded trucks travel above the speed limit past 2 daycare centers and a primary school. A loaded truck obeying the speed limit can take up to 45m to come to a stop not taking the hills and bends into consideration. This is a fatality waiting to happen.

Has Hume City council in anyway communicated approval for this facility to operate by way of email or permit being issued?

**RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING & PLACES**

No approval has been issued for this site. Officers of the Planning Investigations unit are aware of activity as outlined, and the matter is currently being investigated and action will be taken as appropriate. If residents hold concerns about land use or development activity, they can reach out directly to the Planning Investigations team via email on [planninginvestigations@hume.vic.gov.au](mailto:planninginvestigations@hume.vic.gov.au)

**PQ1185 PUBLIC QUESTION - MELINDA O'NEILL**

Has a traffic management plan been registered with Hume for this facility?

**RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING & PLACES**

As above, no approval has been issued by Council.

**9. OFFICERS' REPORTS**

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9.1	Hume Transport Strategy	11

**Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

**That Council:**

**2.1 Notes the report presenting the findings from the community consultation undertaken on the draft Hume Transport Strategy.**

**2.2 Adopts the final Hume Transport Strategy.**

**CARRIED**

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9.2	Hume Libraries: response to NOM 24/05	135

**Moved** Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

**That Council notes the findings of the investigation into 24/7 library requirements.**

**CARRIED**

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9.3	Neighbour Day: response to NOM24/12	141

**Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

**That Council:**

**2.1 Notes the findings of the investigation into Brimbank Neighbour Day program.**

**2.2 Commence an annual acknowledgment of Neighbour Day through:**

- The development of a Neighbour Day community challenge campaign
- The distribution of promotional materials to help promote Neighbour Day celebrations.
- Promote Neighbour Day via Council's existing grant programs and community facing services.

CARRIED

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9.4	Proposed changes to Council Meeting Schedule 9 July 2024 to 30 November 2024	147

Moved Cr Chris Hollow, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

**2.1 THAT Council:**

- 2.1.1** adopts the following amended Council meeting schedule for the period 9 July 2024 to 30 November 2024:

DATE	VENUE
Monday, 22 July 2024	Town Hall Broadmeadows
Monday 12 August 2024	Council Chamber, Hume Global Learning Centre – Broadmeadows
Monday, 26 August 2024	Council Chamber, Hume Global Learning Centre – Broadmeadows
Monday, 9 September 2024	Council Chamber, Hume Global Learning Centre – Broadmeadows
Monday, 23 September 2024	Council Chamber, Hume Global Learning Centre – Broadmeadows
Monday, 14 October 2024	Council Chamber, Hume Global Learning Centre – Broadmeadows
<i>Wednesday</i> , 27 November 2024	Council Chamber, Hume Global Learning Centre - Broadmeadows (Statutory Meeting)

- 2.1.2** Notes that changes to the above schedule may be made in response to the forward program of Council business.

- 2.1.3** Notes that a schedule for between 1 December 2024 and the 2025 Statutory Meeting will be presented to Council for consideration at the 2024 Statutory Meeting on 27 November 2024.

CARRIED

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9.5	Opportunity for a University Study Hub in Hume	149

**Moved** Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

- 2.1 That Council endorse the inclusion of the ground floor office space in the north west corner of the Broadmeadows Civic Centre as a potential location for a university study hub.
- 2.2 That Council notes the proposal is subject to a successful grant application by La Trobe University.
- 2.3 That Council notes the execution of the lease will be subject to a further report outlining the outcome of the grant application and the key lease terms which will be in accordance with Councils Lease and License Policy.

**CARRIED**

A division was requested: The result of the division was as follows:

For	Against
Cr Trevor Dance	Cr Jack Medcraft
Cr Joseph Haweil	Cr Carly Moore
Cr Chris Hollow	
Cr Jodi Jackson	
Cr Naim Kurt	
Cr Sam Misho	
Cr Karen Sherry	

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9.6	Providence Road, Greenvale - Permanent Road Closure	153

**Moved** Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

**That Council:**

- 2.1 note that submissions from the public were invited under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 by publishing a notice of intention to permanently close Providence Road, Greenvale in the Northern Star Weekly and on Council's website. Refer to Attachment 2.
- 2.2 note affected properties, utility service providers, emergency services and Parks Victoria were consulted directly regarding the proposal to permanently close Providence Road, with no objections received. Refer to Attachment 3
- 2.3 note no public submissions were received and the statutory requirements to permanently close Providence Road have been satisfied.
- 2.4 permanently close the section of Providence Road, Greenvale shown in Attachment 1, by installing new gates at an estimated cost of \$25,000 (excluding GST), to be funded through Council's Responsive Road Safety Works Operating Budget.

- 2.5 note that following an assessment of the site, CCTV cameras will be reinstated to monitor and enforce any illegal dumping that takes place in the area.

CARRIED

## 10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.1	NOM24/30 - Cr Joseph Haweil	163

**Moved** Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

Background Information:

To enhance the site and its recognition, it is proposed that the approaches to the Mickleham Road Avenue of Honour be identified with signage at both the northern and southern ends of the Avenue. It is noted that the Mickleham Road Avenue of Honour site, its tree plantings, obelisk memorial, and memorial plaques have been acknowledged and recorded as Heritage Overlay 37 within the Hume Planning Scheme, noting its local significance.

2. **That Council investigates and reports on the costs and options of erecting roadside signage at the southern and northern ends of the Mickleham Road Avenue of Honour, specifically identifying the Avenue of Honour, and that a report be presented to council on the options available, acknowledging that Mickleham Road, Mickleham is designated as an arterial road, controlled and managed by VicRoads, and any works of this nature would require their prior approval.**

CARRIED

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10.2	NOM24/31 - Cr Carly Moore	165

**Moved** Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

**Background information:**

The City of Whittlesea has published a brochure called 50 Sites of Significance, highlighting some of the historical locations, and places of interest in their city.

We know from the community feedback received during the development of the Creative Community Strategy, that our local Hume community are very interested in celebrating culture and our culturally significant places too.

Hume City has many historic sites of significance which tell the story of our city, and our people, and we know the community has a strong interest in understanding and exploring these more. From Rupertswood and the Ashes, to Roxburgh Park Homestead, the Maygar Barracks and Woodlands Homestead, just to name a few, we have so many local stories to tell, and so much history to share.



I believe there is an opportunity for Hume to better promote our significant sites and consider the opportunities to undertake a similar piece of work to the City of Whittlesea’s 50 Sites of Significance.

- 2. **That Council receives a report outlining the options for improving the promotion of Hume’s historical sites of significance, similar to the material provided by City of Whittlesea in their 50 Sites of Significance.**

The report should also provide information on the benefits and costs for Council’s consideration.

CARRIED

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10.3	NOM24/32 - Cr Sam Misho	167

**Moved** Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

**Background information:**

Council is committed to improving safety and amenity in Hume City, understanding that these are critical to resident wellbeing. The range of services and programs delivered by Council, spanning from community development to enforcement activities, demonstrate this commitment.

Addressing resident’s primary safety concerns, such as illegal dumping and property crime, requires collaboration with the police. Effectively partnering to tackle these issues requires Council and police to have a shared understanding of resident perspectives, as well as each other’s roles, resources, and priorities. This notice of motion aims to support this.

- 2. **That Council: Write to Shayne Kerley, Acting Inspector, Hume Local Area Command, extending an invitation to attend a future Council briefing and to present on:**

- 1. **Hume City crime trends: including local crime statistics and any notable shifts, patterns, or distinctive features within the Hume municipality.**

- 2. **Local police priorities and strategies: including an overview of strategic priorities and initiatives underway to address prevalent crime issues and to enhance community safety within Hume City.**

- 3. **Preliminary insights and/or findings arising from the 2024 Victoria Police Community Sentiment Survey 2024: including top concerns of Hume residents, safety perceptions, and trust in law enforcement.**

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.4	NOM24/33 - Cr Sam Misho	169

**Moved** Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

**Background information:**

Many of our rate payers are subject to fines for parking on gutters and nature strips. The behaviour is often a result of extremely poor estate design. Numerous suburbs feature narrow streets and curved kerbs, making it nearly impossible for individuals to gauge if their vehicles are parked on an even surface. The poor design leaves residents with limited options for safe and practical parking. Despite these design flaws, residents are frequently fined for parking on gutters and nature strips. It is critical that our rate payers are protected and ensure that such fines are not a driver for unwarranted revenue for council, as they penalize individuals for circumstances beyond their control.

I acknowledge that since 2016, Council began to implement the Hume City Parking on Narrow Street Policy. Whilst many streets have benefited from this program, as Council has upgraded 62 streets with indented parking bays, there are still a large number of narrow streets across Hume that need to be completed.

The Indented Parking Bay Program is already fully allocated for the next ten years, as we have approximately 420km of narrow streets to be completed (this is almost the distance from Hume to Wagga Wagga). By fast-tracking the program hopefully this will lead to a reduction in fines to our residents.

**2. That Council:**

- 1. Conduct a review of the infringement Management policy, in particular its impacts on nature strip parking, including consideration of the practical realities faced by residents due to poor estate design, and**
- 2. Encourage council officers to continue to engage positively with (on nature-strip parking) fine recipients to understand their experience and circumstances that have led to receiving the parking infringement – particularly those in narrow streets by clearly providing them with the option of and how to appeal, especially when our Hume City Council infringement Management Policy acknowledges that first-time offenders maybe eligible for leniency under certain circumstance, provided they provide a valid circumstance.**
- 3. To provide the information of the right to appeal and how to appeal on the back of the infringement notice to promote our transparency, and**
- 4. Receive a report detailing the number of parking on nature strip infringements that have been handed out to residents living in narrow streets over the past 5 years.**
- 5. Receive a report on the indented parking program and the Hume City Parking on Narrow Streets Policy, including options to fast-track the delivery of the indented parking bay projects were needed to provide benefits as quickly as**

possible to residents and remove the need to park on nature strips or other locations.

CARRIED

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting, the time being 8:25pm.

#### 11. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

Nil.

#### 12. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting, the time being 8:26pm.

#### 13. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Karen Sherry and Cr Naim Kurt reported on their attendance at the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) conference in Canberra from 3 - 5 July 2024.

#### 14. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The Meeting may be closed to members of the public to consider confidential items.

**Moved** Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

**THAT Council close the meeting to the public pursuant to section 66(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* to consider the following items:**

##### 14.1 Contract - Hothlyn Drive, Craigieburn Road Reconstruction

Item 14.1 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because this report contains contractual matters.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 8:38pm.

The meeting was not reopened to the public.

#### 15. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:45pm.