

COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2024

7:00PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER - HUME GLOBAL LEARNING CENTRE 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, 16 December 2024.

HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL held on Monday, 9 December 2024 at 7:04pm at the Council Chamber - Hume Global Learning Centre Broadmeadows

Attendees:	a: Council	Cr Jarrod Bell Cr Naim Kurt Cr Daniel English Cr Steve Gagen Cr John Haddad Cr Kate Hamley Cr Sam Misho Cr Carly Moore Cr Jim Overend Cr Karen Sherry Cr Ally Watson	Mayor Deputy Mayor
	b: Officers	Ms Sheena Frost Ms Rachel Dapiran Ms Anne Mallia Mr Adam McSwain Mr Hector Gaston Ms Claire Tehan Ms Holly De Kretser Ms Joanne Grindrod	Chief Executive Officer Director City Planning and Places Act. Director City Services & Living Director Infrastructure and Assets Director Customer & Strategy Acting Chief People Officer Acting Chief Financial Officer 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.

2. PRAYER

The Mayor read the following:

Hume City's religious diversity strengthens and enriches community life and supports the wellbeing 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 Asim Jaleel, from the Craigieburn Hub Community Centre, on behalf of the HIN.

Asim Jaleel read the following prayer:

May peace and blessing be upon you all.

I begin in the name of Allah, the most Glorified, the most Exalted. And I send salutation and blessing upon His messenger, Muhammad Peace Be Upon Him.

O Allah, we gather today to make decisions on behalf of the Hume community. Bless our Councillors with the wisdom to exercise impartiality and good judgement. Guide them to consider each matter discussed today on its merits and one that proves to be beneficial for most residents.

Amen.

3. APOLOGIES

Nil.

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

CGM76 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION: HUME CITY COUNCIL -CAROLS BY CANDELIGHT

Moved Cr Ally Watson, Seconded Cr Sam Misho

Congratulate Hume City Council on Carols by Candelight.

CGM77 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - CRAIGIEBURN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Daniel English

That Council through the mayor write to the Craigieburn Basketball Association to congratulate them on the success of the Craigieburn Tip-Off Tournament.

CARRIED

CGM78 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - ISAAC KAKO

Moved Cr Sam Misho, Seconded Cr Ally Watson

That Council congratulate Isaak Kako on his appointment to play for the Essendon Football Club and that Council write a letter of congratulations to him.

CARRIED

CGM79 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - SUNBURY STREET LIFE FESTIVAL

Moved Cr Kate Hamley, Seconded Cr Ally Watson

That Council extend their congratulations to the organisers of the Sunbury Street Life Festival

CARRIED

CGM80 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - CR NAIM KURT -GLADSTONE PARK BOWLS CLUB - ALL ABILITIES TOURNAMENT

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

That a letter through the Mayor is extended to the Gladstone Park Bowls Club on their Community All Abilities bowls day which was held on November 14 2024.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meetings held on 14 October 2024 and 19 November 2024, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meetings held on 14 October and 19 November 2024, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

7 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

PQ1224 & PUBLIC QUESTIONS - ANTHONY HARPER PQ1225

What feedback, if any, did Hume City Council provide on the Merrifield West Precinct Structure plan prior to it being approved by the former Planning Minister Matthew Guy and gazetted on 27 June 2012?

What feedback, if any, did Hume City Council provide on the Lockerbie Precinct Structure plan prior to it being approved by the former Planning Minister Matthew Guy and gazetted on 28 June 2012?

A combined response was provided for the questions

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING & PLACES

In the cases of both Precinct Structure Plans (PSPs), since they were approved Council has been proactive in working with the community, developers and relevant Victorian Government agencies in advocating for the provision of much needed infrastructure and services to support good outcomes in our northern growth corridor.

Lockerbie is home to a future Metropolitan Activity Centre that will provide much needed services to this growing area. We have a Regional Partnership in place with the Shire of Mitchell and City of Whittlesea to provide a united focus on ensuring the town centre is an exemplar of well integrated development to service all the surrounding communities.

In 2011 Hume City Council resolved to oppose both the Merrifield West and the Lockerbie Precinct Structure Plans

Council's opposition to the both PSPs was based on a number of concerns that the Amendment did not appropriately address biodiversity protection, open space and recreation opportunities, community facilities, infrastructure funding through the Development Contributions Plan, traffic and transport, cultural heritage, potential contamination and drainage.

There was also a concern about the lack of public process at the time. Council officers are able to email a copy of the Council report from 2011 if that would assist Mr Harper.

PQ1226 PUBLIC QUESTION - CHRISTINE KIDD

Could you please tell me why the roadside of the main Pascoe Vale Road, Broadmeadows township, shopping area, train station, bus station is so unkept. It looks like there is no Council attending to the maintenance.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Thank you for your question. The roadside areas described are the responsibility of different landholders.

Council maintains the civic spaces next to the Hume Global Learning Centre Broadmeadows and does this on a two-week cycle. Council is also responsible for the land next to the Ampol Service Station and attends to this monthly.

Hume City Council is aware of community concerns regarding the state of cleanliness of roadsides in the areas near the train station and bus station, and this area is maintained and managed by private landholders and the State Government. Council regularly raises its concerns over the appearances both formally and informally, and is actively collaborating with the responsible landowners and State Government authorities as part of a Broadmeadows Revitalisation Board to ensure a multiagency approach to cleanliness and safety for the area.

The centre medians of Pascoe Vale Rd are the responsibility of the State Government and are attended to approximately four times a year under their own maintenance schedule.

PQ1227 PUBLIC QUESTION - LOCHIE

There has been a change in parking conditions along Melrose Drive recently, specifically a new parking permit zone sign at 444 Melrose Drive.

My question is why have the parking conditions changed in this street in particular from unrestricted parking to a permit zone. There are number of faded no standing zone signs and please explain why there no standing signs in many areas that could allow for more unrestricted parking, particularly the very north end of Melrose Drive.

These parking changes on top of already very poorly signed area, have caused significant stress to my customers who left negative feedback. This needs to be properly addressed and fixed asap.

I would like to see removal of most of the no standing signs and permit zone signs. These need to be replaced with proper all day parking signs making it clear it is allowed to park there.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Council has reviewed the circumstances of the question and can confirm it has not introduced a permit zone at this location. It appears to have been installed by one of the private properties. Installing traffic devices on the road reserve without approval is an offence under the Road Management Act 2004

It is noted the No Stopping parking restrictions are inconsistent and should apply on both sides of Melrose Drive given the narrowness of the industrial road (8.5m) and the solid center line that exists. There is also a 1.5m bike lane on the northern side which would not be marked that way if it was intended as a shared bicycle/parking lane.

As a result of the question, Council will:

- 1. Write to the property owners and advise the unapproved Permit Zone will be removed, and that installing traffic devices on the road reserve without approval is an offence under the Road Management Act 2004.
- 2. Subject to a more detailed review of historical records, formalize and improve the existing No Stopping signage to ensure parking is restricted on both sides of Melrose Drive.

PQ1228 PUBLIC QUESTION - LOCHIE

A number of years ago I contacted Hume Council no less than 20 times over the course of 2 years in regards to state of Annandale Road. The Council after a long period of dragging their feet finally fixed up the road and promised to maintain the road, including edging the side of the road surface and removing excess mud that would form on the road from a nearby business with trucks. The state of this road has not been maintained as promised by the council. Why is that?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Unfortunately, silt and mud appears to build up very quickly on this section of road. Multiple attempts at street sweeping have not been successful in keeping the road clear, and the material quickly builds up to a point where the sweeper is not effective in removing it.

Arrangements have been made to use other equipment to remove the mud and clean the kerbs in the coming week. A Street sweeper will then be used to do a final clean. Regular cleaning will then be monitored to assess whether this is sufficient to keep the road surface clear.

PQ1229 PUBLIC QUESTION - CATHY CLEAVER

Can you please provide a progress update of the HCC Animal Management Program which is being reviewed and updated for improvements due to recent incidents including when can the community of Hume expect for this to finalised and implemented with the new and improved changes to protect against aggressive animals that are now part of our community.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & LIVING

A review into the dog attack incidents that occurred on 29 and 30 August 2024, as endorsed by Council under Notice of Motion 24/46 on 9 September 2024, is nearing completion. A comprehensive update on the findings and recommendations emerging from this review will be presented to Council in February 2025.

This detailed review has examined and continues to assess a range of factors related to the incidents, including:

- o Council's response to the incidents on the 29 and 30 August 2024
- o Historical complaints about the dogs involved and prior compliance actions
- o The adequacy and effectiveness of legal frameworks, as well as response procedures handling dog attacks.

o The robustness of controls and systems designed to prevent such incidents. While the review is ongoing, Council has implemented several improvements to public information. These updates include detailed guidance on reporting attacks, clear explanations of the legal consequences for attacks involving dogs and their owners, and requirements relating to the keeping of menacing, dangerous and restricted dog breeds. This information is available under the 'Pets and Animals' section of Council's webpage and will be expanded further in the coming months.

We acknowledge the community's interests in receiving more detailed findings at this stage. However, certain information cannot be disclosed due to ongoing legal proceedings related to these incidents.

Council officers remain committed to supporting those affected by the attacks and continue to work closely with victims and witnesses.

PQ1230 PUBLIC QUESTION - CATHY CLEAVER

Has State Parliament been contacted to review their laws of the Domestic Animal Act 1994 as this affects all of Victoria? HCC must be the lead for the future.

Suggest an immediate change for all dog owners of an alleged dog attack: "Owner immediately not permitted to own an animal and no animal to be on the property of where the offending owner resides. This to be controlled by local councils and not wait for a court ruling"

This is a law that could be mandatory throughout Australia. Dog attacks are becoming more horrendous every month in Australia. People are losing limbs, hospitalised for extended periods. Do we as a society sit back and wait for a death to occur?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & LIVING

A key focus of Council's review into these attacks has been the evaluation of legal frameworks, particularly the Domestic Animals Act 1994. Our initial findings indicate the Act contains several deficiencies that hinder officers' ability to effectively respond

to emergency dog attack situations and to manage high risk animals and their owners.

Once the review is finalised, Council intends to submit its full findings to the Victorian Government for consideration and response. This submission will follow Councillors consideration of the report in February 2025.

PQ1231 PUBLIC QUESTION - KEVIN BALAAM

Background Information: I own several bicycles, used for transport and recreation, and do not own a motor vehicle. In November, I was riding along Donnybrook Road and had to take action to evade a tipper truck (dog and trailer) veering left onto the Donnybrook Road slip lane while the driver was still completing the passing manoeuvre of me. I am not aware of the recent slip lane construction project including any mitigation (no signage, infrastructure, or alternative routes or pathways) to ensure safety of vulnerable road users. Regarding shared/bike path crossings of streets, it is not legally permissible (in my view, at least) for any bike rider (including children, adult riders supervising children, and people with disability with a letter of authorisation) to ride across on zebra pedestrian crossings, even if they can legally use nearby paths such as to ride to school. Some bike path crossings are very rough and uncomfortable crossing the kerb cutouts and channel.

What contributions and discussions did Council make to the planning, designing or construction of the new "free" slip lane on Donnybrook Road at the Mitchell Street/Hume Freeway intersection?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Donnybrook Road is an arterial road and falls under the responsibility of VicRoads (Department of Transport and Planning). Design and construction of the modification to the roundabout was managed by VicRoads.

Council continues to work on improving our cycling network across Hume and it is a key action within Council's Transport Strategy.

PQ1232 PUBLIC QUESTION - KEVIN BALAAM

Council has recently advertised a tender for the reconstruction of part of the Arena Avenue Roxburgh Park bike path focusing on the vehicle crossovers and neglecting the rough road crossings. There was also a recent construction of raised platform zebra pedestrian crossing, not a shared path crossing, of Windrock Avenue at Elevation Boulevard, Craigieburn, and others around the City (eg Grand Boulevard/Newbury Boulevard.

How does Council decide whether a crossing of a council-managed road is to have a shared &/or bike path facility and whether it is to be a raised platform?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTUCTURE & ASSETS

The reconstruction of a section of the Arena Avenue bike path is needed to alleviate a problem with the level of the path in relation to driveways, which means that residents cannot use their driveways without vehicles scraping. The road crossings were built by the developer of the area in line with required subdivision standards and do not require modification.

The decision on whether a road crossing should provide for shared and/or bike path depends on the paths that connect to the crossing. If the adjoining paths are only for pedestrians, a zebra crossing would be used. If the adjoining paths are for bikes and/or shared use, the crossing would provide for this. A recent example of this is

the new raised crossing that connects shared paths at the intersection of Windrock Avenue and Creekwood Drive.

Council considers a range of factors when considering whether to provide a raised platform at a crossing, including pedestrian and/or cyclist volumes, traffic volume, speed and safety.

8. OFFICERS' REPORTS

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8.1	Hume Fai	ir Access Policy	4
	Moved Cr	^r Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Sam Misho	
	Tha	t Council:	
	2.1	Adopts the Hume Fair Access Policy 2024 (Attachment 1).
	2.2	Acknowledges the Hume Fair Access Policy 2025-27 (Attachment 2)	/ Action Plan
	2.3	Notes the Hume Gender Equity in Sport Net Membership (Attachment 3)	work
			CARRIED

Report No.ReportPage in
Agenda8.1Temporary Change to the Chief Executive Officer's
Delegation 10 December 2024 to 10 February 202522

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Sam Misho

2.1 That in accordance with section 11(1) of the Local Government Act 2020, Council varies its instrument of delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (Attachment 2) for the period 10 December 2024 to 16 December 2024 to temporarily increase the limitation on the power to award a contract or make any expenditure to an amount not exceeding the value of \$1,000,000 (including GST);

That in accordance with section 11(1) of the Local Government Act 2020, Council varies its instrument of delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (Attachment 2) for the period 17 December 2024 to 10 February 2025 to temporarily increase the limitation on the power to award a contract or make any expenditure to an amount not exceeding the value of \$3,000,000 (including GST);

2.2 That in accordance with section 11(1) of the Local Government Act 2020, Council varies its instrument of delegation to the Chief Executive Officer for the period 17 December 2024 to 10 February 2025 for a temporary increase in the current limitation on the power delegated to the CEO to award contracts listed in the confidential attachment 1, which may exceed the \$3,000,000 (including GST) temporary delegation requested in 2.1: Contract No.Contract Name30 24 3438Provision of security services for the
Hume Global Learning Centre, Town Hall
Broadmeadows, Community Centres and
Community Facilities

2.3 That Council approves the signing and sealing of the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer

CARRIED

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8.3	2025/2026	Agenda 35				
	Moved Cr Sam Misho, Seconded Cr Ally Watson					
	That Cour	ncil:				
	2.1	Endorse the 2025/26 Hume Event Grant Program Guidelines (Attachment 1) and Terms of Reference (Attachment 2).				
	2.2	Notes that the 2025/26 Hume Event Grant Program is funded from the 2025/26 budget, as such, program funding will be confirmed when Council adopts the budget in June 2025.				
	2.3	Notes the following application timelines for the 2025/26 Event Grant Program:				
		2.3.1	Community and Neighbourhood Even and Community and Neighbourhood F (Medium): open for Round 1 application Monday 6 January 2025 until Thursda February 2025, and Round 2 application Monday 26 May until Tuesday 1 July 2	Events ons from y 20 ons from		
		2.3.2	Major Events (single round) and Estal Events (single round): open for applic Monday 6 January 2025 until Thursda February 2025.	ations from		
	2.4	Nominates Councillor Gagen, Councillor Haddad and Councillor Watson to be members of the Councillor Review Panel.				
	2.5	Round and Me	that a Report recommending the distrib 1 Community and Neighbourhood Even edium), Major Events (single round) and Events (single round) will be presented 125.	nts (Small I Established		

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8.4	2025 Arts	63				
	Moved Cr Jim Overend, Seconded Cr Steve Gagen					
	That Council:					
	2.1	2.1 Endorse the 2025 Arts Grants Program including the 2025 Arts Grants Application Guidelines (Attachment 1) and Arts Grants Assessment Panel Terms of Reference (Attachment 2).				
	2.2	Notes that:				
		2.2.1	in 2024/25 \$74,260 has been allocated for the delivery of the 2025 Arts Grants Program.			
		2.2.2	the 2025 Arts Grants Program will be application from Monday 3 February 2 Tuesday 11 March 2025.			
	2.3	Nominates Councillor Overend, Councillor Gagen and Councillor Watson to be members of the Councillor Review Panel.				
	2.4	Arts G	that a Report recommending the distrib rants Program funds to successful app nted to Council in May 2025.			
				CARRIED		
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8.5 External Grant Management Policy			anagement Policy	87		
	Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry					
	That Council:					
	2.1	Adopt	s the proposed External Grant Managen	nent Policy.		
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8.6		nce and	Officer Annual Report on the Activities of Community Asset	95		
	Moved Cr	Naim K	urt, Seconded Cr Carly Moore			
That Council notes this report.						

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8.7	Kinderga	dergarten Enrolment Policy Review 100		
	Moved Cr	r Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry		
	2.1	That Council revoke the 2021 Kindergarten Enrolment Policy (Attachment 1) and;		
	2.2		ouncil adopt the Kindergarten Cen (Attachment 2)	tral Registration
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8.8	Contract Redevelo		4 3575 - Sunbury Senior Citizen Ce	-
	Moved Cr	Naim Ku	urt, Seconded Cr Kate Hamley	
	2.1	That C	ouncil:	
		2.1.1	Resolves to award Contract No. 3 Constructive Group Pty Ltd.	30 24 3575 to
		2.1.2	Awards the Contract for the lump price of Two million, Six hundred thousand, Five hundred and Ten cents (\$2,622,510.10) GST inclusion	l and Twenty-Two dollars and Ten
		2.1.3	Approves a contingency sum and allowance to the value (excl. GST within the confidential attachment) contained
		2.1.4	Authorises the Director Infrastructor finalise and execute the contradocumentation.	
		2.1.5	Authoress that variations will be accordance with the Contract Va	
				CARRIED
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8.9	Contract	No. 30 2	4 3581 - Hard Waste Collection	134
	Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Daniel English That Council:			
	2.1	Manag Unit Tr Waste	ts the tender submission from WM ement Services Pty Ltd ATF WM W ust for Contract No. 30 24 3581 – F Collection Services and the assoc hedule of rates tendered.	Aste Management Provision of Hard

2.2 Notes that the contract term will commence on 1 October 2025 for an initial period of three (3) years and eight (8) months to 30 June 2029 (inclusive), with the option of a

further two (2), one-year extensions, with the maximum term concluding on 30 June 2031.

- 2.3 Authorises the Director Infrastructure and Assets to finalise and execute this contract.
- 2.4 Authorises for Variations to be managed in accordance with the confidential attachment
- 2.5 Authorises the Director Infrastructure and Assets to approve Rise and Fall (Consumer Price Index) calculations for the duration of the contract term.

CARRIED

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

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9.1	NOM24/55 - Cr Kate Hamley Formation of a working group to investigate options to address socio-economic disadvantage in Hume.	140			
	Moved Cr Kate Hamley, Seconded Cr Steve Gagen				
	THAT: 1. Council notes that Hume City Council wa to have the highest rate of poverty in Vic 2023 "Mapping poverty in Victoria" VCOS	toria in the SS report.			
	2. That Council recognises the harm that so economic disadvantage is causing to ou community.				
	 That Council supports the formation of a group, consisting of officers and interes Councillors, to investigate options to add economic disadvantage in Hume. 	sted			
	 4. That Council appoints the Mayor and CE the development of a Terms of Reference to guide the purpose, scope and function of the working group. 	rence document			
	5. That the working group's recommendation costings be referred for Council's conside within the planning stages of the 2025-26 and the longer term Council Plan for 2029	leration Budget			
		CARRIED			
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9.2	NOM24/56 - Cr Daniel English Left Turn Slip Lane Investigation - Intersection of Grand Boulevard and Hume Highway Craigieburn	142			
	The CEO read a public comment submitted by Mr Kevin Balaam on the item NOM24/56 - Cr Daniel English -Left Turn Slip Lane Investigation - Intersection of Grand Boulevard and Hume Highway				

Moved Cr Daniel English, Seconded Cr Jim Overend

Craigieburn

1. That Council officers prepare a report on the possibility of installing a left-turn slip lane on the west side of the intersection at Grand Boulevard and Hume Highway, Craigieburn.

The report should include:

- 1. Identification of the party responsible for the installation.
- 2. An assessment of the project's feasibility.
- 3. An evaluation of the potential benefits of the installation.
- 4. Identification of potential funding sources.

A preliminary assessment and report should be provided to Council by March 2025 in order for Council to consider budget implications.

CARRIED

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9.3	NOM24/57 - Cr Carly Moore Investigation into Recording	Agenda 143

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

That Council:

- 1. Notes that during the November local government elections, a recording from a closed Council briefing emerged on social media.
- 2. Notes that this recording was taken without the consent or knowledge of the meeting participants, including both Councillors and Council Officers and that during this briefing, confidential items were discussed.
- 3. Writes to the Minister for Local Government and relevant integrity agencies advising that this has occurred.
- 4. Refers the potential illegal surveillance to Victoria Police requesting an investigation.
- 5. Seeks direction from the Minister for Local Government on how Councillors and council officers can be protected from breaches of this nature reoccurring.

CARRIED

10. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

Nil.

11. URGENT BUSINESS

NIL

12. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Karen Sherry gave a report on her attendance at the conference for the Northern Community Legal Centre.

13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:51pm.