



**COUNCIL MEETING OF
THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**

MONDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER 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, 23 September 2024.

HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the

COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL

held on Monday, 9 September 2024

at 7:03pm

at the Council Chamber - Hume Global Learning Centre Broadmeadows

Attendees:	a: Council	Cr Naim Kurt	Mayor
		Cr Karen Sherry	Deputy Mayor
		Cr Jarrod Bell	
		Cr Trevor Dance	
		Cr Joseph Haweil	
		Cr Chris Hollow	
		Cr Jodi Jackson	
		Cr Jack Medcraft	
		Cr Sam Misho	
		Cr Carly Moore	
		Cr Jim Overend	
	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
		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.

2. PRAYER

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 Nilupa Jayawickrema, from the Sri Lankan Australian Buddhist community, on behalf of the HIN.

Nilupa read the following prayer:

At dawn as the sun rises from the slumber, and when the sun sets at the dusk, in a silent prayer of sincere gratitude I pay homage to the most Blessed One.

The Sacred Lord Buddha, The Great Achiever of Enlightenment, with each heartbeat and each intake of breath, as a faithful follower I walk ahead in the promising path you chose.

Like a Guiding Star. You showed us the way, to gain Refuge from the continuous circle of Life and Death. May we be blessed with your compassionate love throughout the maze of Life.

Honourable councillors, officers & staff, For all you Honest Endeavours to serve the community, May you be adorned with Buddha's Blessings. May the new financial year, be started with new aspirations- fresh hopes.

In the long course of duration, may your projects to upgrade the facilities, your planning and designing for improvements and the expected future constructions, be blessed.

To bring fruitful success and pleasant outcomes to the society. Working in Unity and Harmony, may the Hume Council be blessed with the strength, capacity and potentiality to rise above the horizons to serve your fellow citizens bigger and better in near future. May the blessings of the sacred lord Buddha always be with you.

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.

Cr Carly Moore declared a conflict of interest on **Item 9.1** - 2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program

Cr Joseph Haweil declared a conflict of interest on **Item 9.1** - 2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program, **Item 9.3** - Event Grants 2024/2025 - Round 2 Recommendations and **Item 9.9** - Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy

5. CONGRATULATIONS AND CONDOLENCES**CGM71 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION – SES CONTROLLERS AT CRAIGIEBURN, BULLA**

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council write to the unit controllers of Sunbury, Craigieburn and Fawkner SES and thank them for their diligence and outstanding service over the recent storms that have impacted Hume and the broader Victorian community.

CARRIED

CGM72 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - THE COMMITTEE AND PRODUCTION TEAM AT THE BOILERHOUSE THEATRE

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council through the Mayor write to the committee and the production team of the Boiler House Theatre Company's the BFG, congratulating them on a fantastic opening weekend at Building 22 on Jackson's Hill representing what is an incredibly important milestone in the evolution of the Jackson's Hill Art and Cultural Precinct.

CARRIED

CGM73 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - THE HON. BILL SHORTEN MP

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

That Council acknowledges the forthcoming retirement of Hon. Bill Shorten MP, Federal Member for Maribyrnong and acknowledges his service to the people of Maribyrnong and Hume City.

CARRIED

CGM74 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - ANASINA GRAY-BARBERIO

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

That Council write to Miss Anasina Gray-Barberio congratulating her on taking up the upper house seat of Northern Metropolitan Region in the Victorian Legislative Council.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting of 26 August 2024, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Karen Sherry

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 26 August 2024, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

7. ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCIL**7.1 Summary of Council Briefing Sessions - 5th and 19th August 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 5th and Monday 19th August 2024.

CARRIED

8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**PQ1200 PUBLIC QUESTION – CHRIS O’NEILL**

Hume City Council states on their website "It is not legal to park a vehicle on a nature strip in Victoria. Council officers can issue infringements to vehicles parked on nature strips under Road Safety Road Rules 2017, rule no 197. "

How many parking fines has Hume City Council officers issued to residents in 2023/24 for Parking on nature strips?

RESPONSE: Chief Financial Officer

In 2023/24 there were 3955 parking infringements issued for parking on nature strip offences.

PQ1201 PUBLIC QUESTION – CHRIS O’NEILL

How many parking fines have Hume City Council officers issued to construction workers parking on the nature strip at the front of the Sunbury Day Hospital in 2023/24?

RESPONSE: Chief Financial Officer

Officer’s are unaware of the occupation held by those who receive infringements, this is not a consideration when issuing parking infringements.

PQ1202 PUBLIC QUESTION – ANTHONY LAY

Prior to the opening of the New Council Chamber in the Hume Global Learning Centre, Broadmeadows, what has been the full cost of conducting hybrid meetings to allow Councillors to attend remotely this term?

Please include production costs and IT support costs and any other associated costs in full, along with the Zoom subscription.

RESPONSE: Chief Financial Officer

This question will be taken on notice and the cost of delivering Council meetings will be responded to at the next council meeting.

In this term of Council, Council has commenced live streaming its meetings to support transparent decision making. This requires additional AV and IT costs to support delivery of streaming.

However officers can advise that the only additional cost or the 2023/24 period, required to facilitate hybrid Council meetings was \$279 for an additional Zoom subscription in addition to that were costs associated with internal IT support staff.

PQ1203 PUBLIC QUESTION – ANTHONY LAY

Noting the above response, what has been the cost in total and the breakdown per public meeting which had been held in hybrid mode?

RESPONSE: Chief Financial Officer

This question will be taken on notice and responded to at the next Council meeting

PQ1204 PUBLIC QUESTION – DANIEL ENGLISH

For this term of Council, how many meetings has each Councillor attended in person?

RESPONSE: Chief Financial Officer

Meetings throughout this term of Council commenced in November 2020. Between November 2020 and December 2021, sixteen Council meetings were held online only due to Covid-19 restrictions.

The number of Council Meetings Councillors have attended in person between November 2020-August 2024 is as follows:

Cr Jarrod Bell	55
Cr Trevor Dance	0
Cr Joseph Haweil	47
Cr Chris Hollow	46
Cr Jodi Jackson	6
Cr Naim Kurt	55
Cr Jack Medcraft	51
Cr Sam Misho	44
Cr Carly Moore	47
Cr Jim Overend	54
Cr Karen Sherry	54

PQ1205 PUBLIC QUESTION – DANIEL ENGLISH

For this term of Council, how many fines have been issued in relation to dumped rubbish?

RESPONSE: Chief Financial Officer

There have been 480 infringements issued for depositing litter across this Council term. There has been a further 300 infringements issued for failing to comply with notices.

PQ1206 PUBLIC QUESTION – CATHY CLEAVER

Has the state parliament been contacted to review their laws of the Domestic Animal Act 1994 as these may also be antiquated and this affects all of Victoria. HCC must be the lead for the future and if yes, did you have a positive response and if no, will you now involve them please?

RESPONSE: Acting Director City Services and Living

Officers have engaged with the Department of Agriculture following the recent dog attacks in Sunbury.

At this stage Council has not requested a review of the Victorian Domestic Animals Act 1994. However once Council completes its review into the matter, we will identify any potential amendments to the Act that would strengthen Council's ability to intervene early in instances of irresponsible pet ownership and dangerous dog behaviours. These findings will be shared with the Department of Agriculture for their consideration and response.

PQ1207 PUBLIC QUESTION – CATHY CLEAVER

Has HCC contacted RSPCA to set up a better "Working Together Program", to ensure these incidents of where there is concern for animals in an unhealthy environment/ potentially dangerous environment. This would allow both authorities to control the removal and not wait for when a situation is out of control and animals are no longer able to be rehabilitated or rehomed and end up euthanized and if yes, was the response positive and if no, will you now involve them please?

RESPONSE: Acting Director City Services and Living

Officers have not yet contacted the RSPCA regarding the recent attacks, however Officers agree that there is significant opportunities to explore how Council and the RSPCA can collaborate to support earlier intervention in instances where dogs are not being properly cared for by their owners, or where poor handling may result in dogs becoming dangerous to others.

Officers will be reaching out to the RSPCA to explore these opportunities further.

PQ1208 PUBLIC QUESTION – LISA MATHIAS

Investigation of the Hume City Council Domestic Animal Management Plan.

Will this be internal Hume City Council only or will there be an independent contingency on the panel to provide an additional perspective?

RESPONSE: Acting Director City Services and Living

Officers have commenced a comprehensive review that will include reviewing Council's dog attack procedures, incident alert and response systems, and identifying possible legislative changes that might support improved outcomes and give Council more powers to take earlier action against irresponsible pet owners.

Council is seeking to engage an independent perspective in this review process to ensure all opportunities and learnings are identified

PQ1209 PUBLIC QUESTION – LISA MATHIAS

Would Hume City Council be prepared to be the leaders for change and submit a motion to state parliament a change to Animal Act 1994

Motion reading: Mandatory for all owners of 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 and if yes – when can motion be submitted for consideration and if no – why not?

This should not have to be deemed by a court for every incident.

RESPONSE: Acting Director City Services and Living

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PQ1210 PUBLIC QUESTION – TRACY TAYLOR

Improvements and Education for Animals in the Community

The review has already commenced into the policies and procedures held by Hume City Council for the Domestic Animal Management Plan.

As many of the Sunbury Community are now walking in fear as they do not believe the system actually works to protect them from dog attacks.

Has Hume City Council identified improvements already that can be implemented now and if yes, when will they be implemented and what are they?

RESPONSE: Acting Director City Services and Living

Council has identified immediate opportunities to improve the information and education materials included on Council's website to make it easier for residents to report their concerns regarding dangerous dogs in Hume.

In addition to this, a comprehensive review has commenced to identify any improvements that can be made to Council's dog-attack responses, investigation and enforcement practices, this will include measures that may assist in preventing future attacks or supporting responsible pet ownership.

Once this report has been finalised, recommendations will be presented to Council for consideration. It should be noted that Officers will enact any immediate operational improvement opportunities as soon as they are identified, to best support community safety outcomes.

PQ1211 PUBLIC QUESTION – TRACY TAYLOR

Information to make a safer community.

Can a flyer be created to be distributed to the community of Hume, either via rates notice of Australia Post distribution with a reminder every year on the back of animal registration form -

- Be a responsible owner

- Community instructions on making a complaint or voicing a concern to ensure it is actioned.

RESPONSE: Acting Director City Services and Living

Thank you for your suggestion. As outlined above, Officers are seeking to make immediate improvements to information and education materials to ensure residents know how they can easily report concerns regarding dangerous or threatening dogs. In addition to making this available on Council's website, officers will explore the opportunity to include this information with registration renewal notices.

9. OFFICERS' REPORTS

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
9.1	2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program	11

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting after declaring a conflict of interest on Item 9.1 *2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program*, the time being 7:36pm.

Councillor Carly Moore left the meeting after declaring a conflict of interest on Item 9.1 *2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program*, the time being 7:36pm.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council:

2.1 Endorse the distribution of \$443,231 for the 2025 Annual Community Grants Program (Round 1) with distribution of funds to program categories detailed in Attachment 1 and summarised below:

(a) \$104,984 to 11 organisations for pre-committed Partnership Grants (Table 1).

(b) \$70,000 to 7 organisations for Large Project Grants (Table 2).

- (c) \$14,520 to 2 organisations for Volunteer Project Grants (Table 3).
 - (d) \$33,325 to 7 organisations for Small Project Grants (Table 4).
 - (e) \$86,900 to 30 organisations for Community Participation Grants (Table 5).
 - (f) \$133,502 to 91 organisations for Community Operational Grants (Table 6).
- 2.2 Endorses the reallocation of \$30,100 to the Small Project Round Two and Year-Round categories, as outlined in 4.5.
 - 2.3 Notes that dispersal of funds identified in 2.1 will be subject to satisfactory acquittals and resolution of any outstanding eligibility requirements.
 - 2.4 Notes the distribution of \$8,284.49 to Year-Round Community Grants as shown in Attachment 2.
 - 2.5 Notes the total distribution for this report is \$451,515.49 of the \$521,331 total 2024/25 budget allocation for the 2025 Community Grants Program. Remaining funds will be distributed via Project Round 2 and Year-Round categories.

CARRIED

Councillor Carly Moore returned to the meeting after the vote on Item 9.1 *2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program*, the time being 7:43pm

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting after the vote on Item 9.1 *2025 Community Grants Program Allocation of Annual Grant Categories and Update for the 2024 Year-Round Grant Program*, the time being 7:43pm.

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9.2	2025 Education Scholarship Program	27

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

That Council awards a total of \$58,000 (excluding GST) to the nominated secondary schools outlined in Attachment 1, which represents the allocation of \$1,000 each to the 58 recipients of the 2025 Education Scholarship program.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
9.3	Event Grants 2024/2025 - Round 2 Recommendations	31

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting after declaring a conflict of interest on item 9.3 *Event Grants 2024/2025 - Round 2 Recommendations*, the time being 7:47pm.

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

That Council

- 2.1 Endorse the distribution of \$39,310 to seven applicants in Round Two of the 2024/2025 Event Grant Program (Attachment 1).**

CARRIED

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting after the vote on item 9.3 *Event Grants 2024/2025 - Round 2 Recommendations*, the time being 7:50 pm.

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9.4	Recommended Amendments to the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer	39

THAT Council:

- 2.1 in accordance with section 11(1) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, varies its Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer to increase the limitation on the power to award a contract or make any expenditure from the current amount of \$1,000,000 (including GST) to an amount not exceeding the value of \$2,391,343 (including GST);**
- 2.2 approves that this variation takes effect on 15 October 2024;**
- 2.3 approves the signing and sealing of the Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer;**
- 2.4 notes that a report with further recommendations on the CEO's limitation to award contracts will be presented to Council at a meeting in December 2024;**
- 2.5 notes that if recommendations 2.1 to 2.3 are adopted, contracts for the projects listed below may be signed following the conclusion of tender processes:**
- 2.5.1 Jack Roper Reserve – Stormwater Harvesting;**
- 2.5.2 Jack Roper Reserve – Paths Upgrade;**
- 2.5.3 Construction of Merri Creek Trail – Extension in Merri Creek Regional Park, Campbellfield;**
- 2.5.4 Boardman Reserve Netball Court Upgrade;**
- 2.5.5 Lakeside Dr Changeroom Pavilion Upgrade.**

Moved Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

Amendment to point 2.2 to include and ends on the 9 December 2024

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- 2.5.5 Lakeside Dr Changeroom Pavilion Upgrade.

CARRIED

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9.5	Historical Street Name Signs - Proposed Locations and Text (Community Consultation Results)	55

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Karen Sherry

- 2.1 THAT Council notes the feedback received during the Historical Street Name Signs - Proposed Locations and Text public exhibition period which was held between 19 March and 19 May 2024.
- 2.2 THAT Council approves the installation of historical street signs, and the text for each sign, for the 24 streets listed by suburb in Table 1 below:

Table 1

BULLA	
Bourke Street	In 1835, Sir Richard Bourke, was Governor of the Colony of New South Wales and Port Phillip District.
Cahill Street	Early farmers in the district, Thomas and Malachi Cahill acquired land in Wildwood Road in Bulla.
Coghill Street	Donald Coghill built Cumberland in 1849, now a part of Woodlands and operated boiling – down works on Deep Creek.
Green Street	William and Anne Greene settled at Woodlands in 1843. The Bulla Church of

	England was originally built on the Woodlands property.
Quartz Street	Quartz, a mineral deposit discovered and mined at the Bulla mine on Woodlands near Moonee Ponds Creek.
Rawdon Street	Rawdon Foster Greene was the son of William and Anne Greene. He attended the Bulla Bulla National School.
School Lane	Location of Bulla State School No.46, built in 1870-71 and operated for 125 years.
Trap Street	Trap, a dark, fine-grained non-granite igneous rock found in the district near the Moonee Ponds Creek.
WESTMEADOWS	
Ardlie Street	John M. Ardlie, acquired 225 acres of land, c1850, along the western bank of the Moonee Ponds Creek.
Johnstone Street	John Johnstone acquired Greenhill at Yuroke and was a Roads Board representative until 1863.
Black Street	Niel Black, pioneer landholder, acquired 777 acres of land, in part of what has become Gladstone Park.
Bent Street	Sir Thomas Bent, member of the Victorian parliament, and land speculator, who purchased much land across Melbourne suburbs.
Coghill Street	Donald Coghill built Cumberland in 1849, now a part of Woodlands and operated boiling – down works on Deep Creek.
Eyre Street	Eyre Evans Kenny, acquired land at Camp Hill, later known as Gowan Brae, now part of Tullamarine.
Fawkner Street	John Pascoe Fawkner, a businessman and politician, acquired land along Moonee Ponds Creek, near Oak Park and other lots throughout the area.
Forman Street	Peter Foreman was an early settler in the local area, who arrived in the Colony in 1839.
Kenny Street	Eyre Evans Kenny, acquired land at Camp Hill, later known as Gowan Brae, now part of Tullamarine.
Raleigh Street	Joseph Raleigh acquired land on the west side of the Maribyrnong River.

Riddell Street	John Carre Riddell acquired land west of Broadmeadows Road along the Moonee Ponds Creek.
Wills Street	Thomas Wills acquired land upstream from Broadmeadows Township on the Moonee Ponds Creek, that later became part of Cumberland.
BROADMEADOWS	
Stevenson Street	Robert Stevenson first Chairman of the District Road Board of Broadmeadows, elected 1858, and remained on the board until 1862.
CAMPBELLFIELD	
Hatty Court	John Hatty, local land owner and Member of the District Road Board of Broadmeadows from 1858-1868 and 1870-1873.
CRAIGIEBURN	
Patullos Lane	William and James Patullo, district pioneers, owned several acres of land from the early 1850 to 1909.
MEADOW HEIGHTS	
Shankland Boulevard	Robert Shankland, Chairman of the District Road Board of Broadmeadows and son William, Councillor Shire of Broadmeadows.

- 2.3 THAT Council notes that it is not recommend to install historic street name signage at this time on four streets listed below:
- 2.3.1 Campbell Street, Westmeadows;
- 2.3.2 Pascoe Street, Westmeadows.
- 2.4 THAT Council writes to the 881 households who originally received correspondence regarding proposed installation of historic street name signage on the streets that these households are located on to advise of Council's decision for each individual street.
- 2.5 THAT Council approves holding an event to commemorate the installation of the historical signs recommended for approval in this report.

CARRIED

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9.6	Review of Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff	83

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

- 2.1 **THAT Council's existing *Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff*, which was adopted on 24 June 2024, be revoked.**
- 2.2 **THAT Council approves the signing and sealing of the attached *Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff* (Attachment 1).**

Councillor Jim Overend left the meeting during discussion on item 9.6 *Review of Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff*, and did not vote on the item, the time being 7:55pm.

CARRIED

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9.7	Response to NOM24/30 - Mickleham Road Avenue of Honour	193

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

That Council:

- 2.1 **Endorse the proposed signage scheme for the Mickleham Road Avenue of Honour provided in Attachment 2.**
- 2.2 **Authorise the Director Infrastructure and Assets to seek the responsible road authority's (VicRoads) approval for the signage scheme, and if required make any changes to the plans to meet VicRoads' directives.**
- 2.3 **Notify the Craigieburn Historical Interest Group and Craigieburn War Memorial and Remembrance Committee of the endorsed proposal.**
- 2.4 **Allocate \$6,000 within Council's 2024/2025 Responsive Road Safety Works – Operating Budget to implement the signage scheme.**

CARRIED

Councillor Jim Overend returned to the meeting after the *vote on item 9.7 Response to NOM24/30 - Mickleham Road Avenue of Honour*, the time being 7:58pm.

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9.8	Response to NOM 24/33 - Indented Parking on Narrow Streets Program	201

That Council:

- 2.1 **Notes the response to NOM24/33.**
- 2.2 **Notes that the Infringement Management Policy is currently under review and will be presented to Council in 2025.**
- 2.3 **Requests Officers to undertake a review of the impacts of the proposed parking enforcement approaches as outlined**

in 9.3.3, and present the findings to a future meeting of Council for consideration.

- 2.4 Notes that parking surveys have identified a high number of narrow streets that do not meet the current warrants of the Hume City Parking on Narrow Streets Policy (Policy). The Policy is scheduled to be updated in 2025 where the warrants will be reviewed and discussed with Council.
- 2.5 Refers an increase of \$350,000 to the 2025/26 capital budget process for consideration to bring the total investment in the Indented Parking Program to \$1 million per year (indexed annually)

Moved Cr Sam Misho, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

Amendment to include the following:

- 2.6 Council recognises the design implications of narrow streets as a condition which warrants infringements to be withdrawn on appeal, so long as the resident is parked immediately outside their house and safety hazards are not created by parking on nature strips. Safety Hazards include; not causing obstruction, not parked against the direction of traffic or and damaging council assets.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry

Amendment to include the following:

- 2.6 Council recognises the design implications of designated narrow streets as a condition which warrants infringements to be withdrawn on appeal, so long as the resident is parked immediately outside their house and safety hazards are not created by parking on nature strips. Safety Hazards include; not causing obstruction, not parked against the direction of traffic or and damaging council assets.

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- 2.2 Notes that the Infringement Management Policy is currently under review and will be presented to Council in 2025.
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CARRIED

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9.9	Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy	209

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting after declaring a conflict of interest on item 9.9 *Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy*, the time being 8:20pm.

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Carly Moore

That Council

- 2.1 **Revokes the Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy (attachment 1)**
- 2.2 **Endorses the updated Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy (attachment 2)**

CARRIED

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting after the vote on item 9.9 *Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy*, the time being 8:23pm.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
10.1	NOM24/42 - Cr Jarrod Bell	253

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council:

1. **Reaffirms the critical importance of the Bulla Bypass project as a key infrastructure initiative necessary to alleviate congestion on the Sunbury-Bulla Road, Oaklands Road and connecting communities and to support the ongoing development and connectivity of Sunbury with the Northern Growth Corridor.**
2. **Notes the long-standing advocacy efforts of Council to prioritize the Bulla Bypass as a key roads project in its advocacy program to both the State and Federal Governments.**
3. **Acknowledges the positive step that the Victorian Government has undertaken a business case for the Bulla**

Bypass, marking the first time any government has allocated significant funds to this vital project.

4. Recognizes the successful completion of the Sunbury Road duplication project as a significant and positive outcome of recent government investment. This project serves as an important stage one step towards the full realization of the Bulla Bypass, providing immediate relief and improved safety for road users.

5. Highlights the importance of receiving regular updates on the progress on planning for the delivery of the Bulla Bypass, given the time that has passed since community consultation was undertaken and the business case completed, to ensure the community remains well-informed and engaged with the project's advancement.

6. Resolves to write to both Josh Bull MP, Member for Sunbury, and The Hon Melissa Horne MP, Minister for Roads, seeking an update on the status of the Bulla Bypass project. This update should include details on the progress of the design and costing work, expected timelines, and any forthcoming steps to move this project closer to construction, ensuring the community is kept informed and that pressure is maintained to advance this critical infrastructure project.

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10.2	NOM24/43 - Cr Trevor Dance	255

Moved Cr Trevor Dance, **Seconded** Cr Jodi Jackson

THAT: Hume Council revisits the George Evans Museum location and provides a report to council by July 2025 that will identify a fully free-standing building location (Such as Hume Council Jacksons Hill site. The Sunbury Community Arts and Cultural Precinct) and any potential to actually expand the current location at The Global Learning Centre in Sunbury to ensure maximum number of historical items that can fit into the final location are on display at all times when these locations are open.

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10.3	NOM24/44 - Cr Joseph Haweil	257

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

That Council, noting:

1. The pervasive and profound effect of gambling harm across the Australian community, and especially in Hume City, resulting in devastating social harm including financial loss, health and mental health issues, family violence, family-break up and suicide;

2. The tsunami of gambling advertising across online platforms, television and radio platforms in Australia unlike anywhere else internationally;

3. Studies showing that 7 in 10 Australians believe there are too many betting advertisements, and that gambling advertising on television should be banned; and,

4. The recommendations of 'You win some, you lose more': the report of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs' inquiry into gambling and its impacts on those experiencing gambling harm, issued on 28 June 2023 (the "Murphy Report");

Writes to The Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications, and the Federal Members for Calwell, Hawke and Maribyrnong and all Senators for Victoria, strongly calling on the Australian Government to commit to the swift adoption and implementation of all 31 recommendations contained in the "Murphy Report", including a 3-year, phased-in ban on all gambling advertising and the banning of inducements and promotions.

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10.5	NOM24/46 - Cr Jarrod Bell	261

Cathy Cleaver addressed the gallery on NOM24/46 – Cr Jarrod Bell

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council:

1. Expresses its deep and heartfelt sympathies to the victims of the recent dog attacks in Sunbury.
2. Recognises the genuine concerns expressed by many in our community when interacting with dogs in our streets, parks, reserves, and playgrounds.
3. Instructs officers to:
 - 3.1. Conduct an immediate review of Council's internal reporting and response systems to ensure timely action is taken regarding reports of dangerous or threatening dogs in the municipality. This includes ensuring compliance with permit requirements for multiple dogs under Hume City Local Law and dangerous dog declaration processes under the Domestic Animals Act 1994.
 - 3.2. Report to Council any recommended policy changes arising from this review at the earliest opportunity.
 - 3.3. Develop a clear communications strategy, including a reporting flowchart, to help residents understand the process for reporting dangerous dogs and how officers will respond including what steps are required under law to take action.

3.4. Re-assess all dog on-lead and off-lead areas designated under the Domestic Animals Act 1994 to ensure they are appropriate, provide adequate buffer zones around playgrounds, and are clearly signed to indicate the appropriate activities in these areas.

4. Acknowledges that dogs are an important part of many Hume families, and that the vast majority of dog owners are responsible, with well-trained dogs. And affirms that the actions of a few do not reflect poorly on the majority who do the right thing.

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10.4	NOM24/45 - Cr Trevor Dance	259

Councillor Chris Hollow left the meeting prior to *discussion on item NOM24/45 - Cr Trevor Dance*, the time being 9:20pm.

Moved Cr Trevor Dance, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

Councillor Chris Hollow returned to the meeting, *discussion on item NOM24/45 - Cr Trevor Dance*, the time being 9:23pm.

That Council:

Receive a report by February 2025 about how the 25/26 budget could be developed with no increase to rates and ensure that the report includes application of the waste levy charges as outlined in the Victorian Government Ministers good practice guidelines for service Rates and charges (The Guidelines) issued on 22 December 2023 (effective 1 March 2024).

CARRIED

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

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

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10.6	NOM24/47 - Cr Carly Moore	263

Moved Cr Carly Moore, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That in accordance with its Governance Rules s77.2.1, Council resolve to hold its meetings on Monday 23 September and Monday 14 October wholly in person, noting that all rules pertaining to requests to attend electronically will apply.

CARRIED

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

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

EXTENSION OF TIME – 30 MINS

9:55pm Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft
That time be extended by 30 mins

CARRIED

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10.7	NOM24/48 - Cr Chris Hollow	265

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

Councillor Sam Misho left the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/48 - Cr Chris Hollow*, the time being 9:56pm.

Councillor Jarrod Bell left the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/48 - Cr Chris Hollow*, the time being 9:56pm.

Councillor Sam Misho returned to the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/48 - Cr Chris Hollow*, the time being 10pm.

Councillor Jarrod Bell returned to the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/48 - Cr Chris Hollow*, the time being 10pm.

That Council

1. Directs officers to renew the Greenvale Recreation Reserve Master Plan for presentation to a future Council briefing.

The Master Plan is to develop a long-term vision for the precinct that supports the future needs of Humes growing and diverse community and considers the current demand of all sports at the reserve, and their ability to accommodate projected future growth.

It is also to consider sport and recreational gaps and opportunities for future potential inclusion at the site including, but not limited to:

- a. Relocation of the Greenvale Tennis Club to the southern end of the reserve.
- b. Repurposing of the existing Greenvale Tennis Club infrastructure for new sporting opportunities e.g. Outdoor undercover netball/basketball.
- c. Repurposing of the Greenvale Tennis Clubroom for community meeting and function space.
- d. Development of football (soccer)/futsal pitches and associated infrastructure.

2. Refers consideration of funding for a Greenvale Recreation Reserve Master Plan to the forthcoming Council Budget process should the development of a Master Plan not be able to be accommodated within existing budgets and resourcing.

3. Consults with current reserve users, local sporting clubs, state sporting associations and community when developing the Master Plan.

CARRIED

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10.8	NOM24/49 - Cr Sam Misho	267

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

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting during discussion on item *NOM24/49 - Cr Sam Misho*, the time being 10:09pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/49 - Cr Sam Misho*, the time being 10:09pm.

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/49 - Cr Sam Misho*, the time being 10:12pm

That Council writes to the Hon Melissa Horne, Minister for Roads and Road Safety and to all local State and Federal MPs, to raise concerns about the poor performance of the roundabout at the intersection of Somerton Road and Roxburgh Park Drive. In the submission, we seek;

1. As an interim measure, Council requests that additional capacity for turning left from Roxburgh Park Drive onto Somerton Road be investigated such as allowing both lanes from Roxburgh Park Drive to turn left onto Somerton Road and/or the use of metering signals on the existing roundabout on the Somerton Road eastbound approach to the intersection during peak hours, and
2. The Minister should be requested to provide a timeframe for the duplication of Somerton Road, and if implementation of this upgrade does not commence within 12 months, Council believes that signalisation of the Roxburgh Park Drive intersection must be considered as an urgent priority.

CARRIED

Cr Naim Kurt vacated the chair at 10:13 pm.

Cr Karen Sherry took over the chair at 10:13 pm.

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10.9	NOM24/50 - Cr Naim Kurt	269

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting during discussion on *NOM24/50 - Cr Naim Kurt*, the time being 10:16pm.

That Council includes the Broadmeadows Town Hall in the ongoing community facilities review, to explore ways to better optimise the space for larger events and address design, functionality, and accessibility issues, ensuring the venue can continue to meet the needs of our diverse community.

CARRIED

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10.10	NOM24/51 - Cr Naim Kurt	271

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

That Council

1. Request a report outlining what is needed to support the initiation of a proactive blitz program to address amenity issues. The report should include details on required resources, additional staffing or structural changes needed, cross departmental involvement and co-ordination and a plan for implementing the program in areas with significant amenity concerns.
2. That any resourcing matters to enable this be referred to the 25/26 budget for consideration.
3. Identify and prioritises key areas in Hume with the most pressing amenity issues for inclusion in the blitz program.
4. Investigates how promotion of blitzes and the proactive approach from Council can be shared with the community, across media channels.

CARRIED

Cr Karen Sherry vacated the chair at 10:23 pm.

Cr Naim Kurt returned to the chair at 10:23 pm.

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10.11	NOM24/52 - Cr Sam Misho	273

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

That Council write to the Department of Transport and Planning regarding the intersection of Hume Highway and Somerset Road, Campbellfield, to request an increase in the green time for traffic turning right out of Somerset Road on Sundays only between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:30 pm or between the following time slots

9:30 am - 10:30 am, and

12:00 noon - 12:30pm, and

2:00pm - 2:30pm

CARRIED

EXTENSION OF TIME – 30 MINUTES

10:26pm Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That time be extended by 30 mins

CARRIED

11. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

11.1 P JL311 - Northern Sunbury LATM Study- Final Plan

Moved Cr Trevor Dance, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That the joint letter be received, circulated to Councillors, and the first named signatory of the joint letter be advised that the matter has been referred to the Manager Assets.

CARRIED

12. URGENT BUSINESS

NIL

13. DELEGATES REPORTS

NIL

14. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

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

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

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 - Design and Construct - Vic Foster Pavilion

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 10:28

15. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10:31pm.