



**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF
THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**

MONDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2020

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Minutes of the
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL
held on Monday, 7 September 2020
at 7:01PM

Virtual Meeting was livestreamed via www.hume.vic.gov.au

Present:	a: Council	Cr Carly Moore	Mayor
		Cr Jack Medcraft	Deputy Mayor
		Cr Karen Sherry	Deputy Mayor
		Cr Joseph Haweil	
		Cr Jodi Jackson	
		Cr Drew Jessop, OAM	
		Cr Leigh Johnson	
		Cr Naim Kurt	
		Cr Geoff Porter	
		Cr Ann Potter	
		Cr Jana Taylor	
	b: Officers	Mr Domenic Isola	Chief Executive Officer
		Mr Hector Gaston	Director Community Services
		Mr Michael Sharp	Director Planning and Development
		Ms Roslyn Wai	Director Communications, Engagement and Advocacy
		Mr Daryl Whitfort	Director Corporate Services
		Mr David Fricke	Acting Director Sustainable Infrastructure and Services
		Mr Jason Summers	Manager Parks
		Mr Andrew Johnson	Manager Strategic Planning
		Mr Brad Mathieson	Senior Governance Officer

Proceedings to be Recorded

The Mayor advised that the Council meeting was being livestreamed on Council's website and that an audio recording of the Council meeting would be made and published to Council's website within 2 working days of the meeting.

The Mayor advised that as Council is the owner of the copyright in the livestream and notwithstanding anything appearing on Council's website, any recording, copying or other use of the livestream is strictly prohibited and would therefore constitute a breach of Council's copyright.

The Mayor advised that as members of the gallery could not be in attendance at the meeting, any person wishing to make comment to reports listed on the Agenda, had been requested to submit their comments in advance of the meeting. Provided they are compliant with the *Governance Local Law 2013* and Council's Governance Rules, with the exception of being present at the meeting, these comments would be read out by the Chief Executive Officer.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THIS LAND

The Mayor read the following:

"I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Gunung-Willam-Balluk land. The Gunung-Willam-Balluk of the Wurundjeri are the first and original people of this land. I would like to pay my respects to their Elders, past and present, and the Elders from other communities 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 well-being of the citizens of Hume City. Hume City Council acknowledges the importance of spiritual life and the leadership offered by the Hume City Inter Faith Leaders Network. In recognition of the religious diversity of residents in Hume City, Council has invited the Inter Faith Leaders Network to take responsibility for the opening prayer at Council meetings. This evening's prayer will be led by Dr Bassam Attar Hume Interfaith Network member, and member of the Muslim community.

3. APOLOGIES

Nil

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Mayor drew Councillors' attention to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1989* 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.

Councillor Drew Jessop disclosed an Indirect Conflict of Interest with report *CC119 - 2021 Community Grants Program Annual Funding Allocations* by way of an Indirect financial interest.

5. CONDOLENCE MOTIONS

CNM033

CONDOLENCE MOTION - MR PAUL ZIROS

Councillor Geoff Porter

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, **Seconded** Cr Ann Potter

That Council acknowledge the recent passing of Mr Paul Ziros.

CARRIED

CNM034

CONDOLENCE MOTION – MRS MARY SUTHERLAND

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Leigh Johnson

That Council acknowledge the recent passing of Mrs Mary Sutherland.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MEETING

6. ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCIL

In accordance with section 80A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*, the Chief Executive Officer is required to report, as soon as practicable, to an Ordinary Meeting of Council, a record of any assemblies of Councillors held.

6.1 HUME SUSTAINABILITY TASKFORCE

Moved: Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded:** Cr Ann Potter

That the Assembly of Council known as the Hume Sustainability Taskforce meeting held on Tuesday 28 July 2020 be noted.

CARRIED

7. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 10 August 2020 and the Ordinary Council (Town Planning) Meeting of 24 August 2020, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Drew Jessop, **Seconded** Cr Jana Taylor

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 10 August 2020 and the Ordinary Council (Town Planning) Meeting of 24 August 2020, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

8. RECEIPT OF COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL TO BE ADOPTED

8.1 MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY TASKFORCE MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL HELD ON 28 JULY 2020

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Jodi Jackson

THAT the Minutes of the Sustainability Taskforce Meeting of the Hume City Council held on 28 July 2020 be noted.

CARRIED

8.2 Minutes of the General Meeting of the Gladstone Park Community Centre Committee of Management held on 21 July 2020

Moved Cr Jana Taylor, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

THAT the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Gladstone Park Community Centre Committee of Management held on 21 July 2020 be noted.

CARRIED

9. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

POA141 Mr John Chaplain of the State Emergency Services (SES) presented Council with an Audit Certificate for Emergency Management.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

NOM404 - Cr Jodi Jackson**Moved** Cr Jodi Jackson**That Council:**

1. **Notes the extensive historical issues identified relating to the group of street trees in the entirety of Yarcombe Crescent and Bampton Mews in Craigieburn.**
2. **Notes all previous removal of trees in those streets.**
3. **Directs Officers to prioritise Yarcombe Crescent and Bampton Mews Craigieburn in Hume City Council's Street Tree Rejuvenation Program. Noting that all existing trees within these two streets will be removed and replaced with a more suitable species and any nature strips that do not currently have a street tree may acquire one in line with the objectives of the program.**
4. **Understanding that this work will be undertaken in phases, that the initial works would commence in 2021**
5. **Notes that this will come at no additional resource allocation as it is part of an existing program.**

Moved Cr Ann Potter, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft**That the item be deferred.**

Councillor Naim Kurt left the meeting prior to the deferral being moved, the time being 7.18pm and did not vote on the item, or vote as part of the division.

CARRIED

A division was requested for the deferral of the item. The result of the division was as follows:

For	Against
Cr Joseph Haweil	Cr Jodi Jackson
Cr Drew Jessop	Cr Geoff Porter
Cr Leigh Johnson	
Cr Jack Medcraft	
Cr Carly Moore	
Cr Ann Potter	
Cr Karen Sherry	
Cr Jana Taylor	

11. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Councillor Naim Kurt returned to the meeting during Public Question Time, the time being 7.21pm.

PQ773 MS DIANNE CAMPBELL

On 10 March 2020 Council passed the following motion:

"That Council investigates the feasibility of a red No Through Road sign to be attached to the bottom of the Jabiru Trail street sign to improve road safety for the Highlands Retirement Village residents."

What was the outcome if any of this motion?

RESPONSE: (ACTING DIRECTOR SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES)

A 'NO THROUGH ROAD' SIGN WILL BE INSTALLED UNDERNEATH THE JABIRU TRAIL ROAD NAME SIGN AT THE ROUNDABOUT. HOWEVER, 'NO THROUGH ROAD' SIGNS MUST CONFORM TO SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD SIGNS AS OUTLINED IN THE AUSTRALIAN STANDARDS. THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE 'NO THROUGH ROAD' SIGN IS BLACK LETTERS ON A YELLOW BACKGROUND. A RED SIGN AS REQUESTED WOULD NOT COMPLY.

PQ774 MR PAUL CAMPBELL

On 14 October 2019 Council passed the following motion:

"That:

1. Council writes to the Transport Minister, advocating for the State Government's support for an On-Demand Transport pilot for the northern growth corridor of our city, specifically the outer lying areas of Craigieburn Mickleham and potentially Donnybrook to provide timely connection to Metro stations for those who live in areas where bus services can be 40 minutes apart, and
2. Copies to be circulated to local State Members of Parliament; Members for Yuroke, Broadmeadows and Sunbury, as well as the five North Metropolitan Members of the Legislative Council."

Did Council receive any responses to the letters that were distributed?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS, ENGAGEMENT AND ADVOCACY)

COUNCIL RECEIVED A RESPONSE FROM THE FORMER MINISTER FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT, THE HON MELISSA HORNE MP, ON 12 JANUARY 2020. THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FORMER MINISTER FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT WAS INCLUDED IN THE COUNCIL REPORT GE408: CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM OR SENT TO GOVERNMENT MINISTERS OR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT - DECEMBER 2019 / JANUARY 2020 WHICH WAS CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL ON 24 FEBRUARY 2020.

PQ775 MR JOHN RUTHERFORD

In view of Council's expressed concern with dangerous industrial fires and the dumping of contaminated soil with in our City;

Will Council contact the Victorian State Government requesting they take actions that will allow the Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018 to be immediately enacted?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT)

COUNCIL CAN CONSIDER ITS ADVOCACY TO GOVERNMENT TO BRING FORWARD THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ACT PRIOR TO JULY 2021

Councillor Naim Kurt left the meeting during Public Question Time, the time being 7.23pm.

PQ776 MR JOHN RUTHERFORD

Further in view of the urgency of this matter will Council request a meeting with the appropriate Government Minister to discuss this issue?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT)

APPROACHING THE RELEVANT MINISTER WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF ANY ADVOCACY TO GOVERNMENT ON THIS ISSUE.

PQ777 MR KEITH PATFORD

On 9 December 2019 Council passed the following motion:

"That Council Officers investigate the extension of the Malcolm Creek Path to provide pedestrian and cycling connections between Mickleham and Craigieburn." Mickleham residents are keen for recreational connections to Craigieburn. What was the outcome of that motion?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT)

COUNCIL OFFICERS PROVIDED A BRIEFING TO COUNCIL THAT OUTLINED THAT HUME'S BICYCLE NETWORK PLAN 2015 IDENTIFIES A 'RECREATIONAL PROPOSED' EXTENSION OF THE MALCOM CREEK PATH NORTH OF MT RIDLEY ROAD FOLLOWING THE SAME ALIGNMENT AS THE EXISTING GRAVEL PATH, PRIMARILY PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIRE ACCESS. FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS WITH DELWP AND OTHER STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ARE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN ACCESS TO THIS SENSITIVE AREA.

AS DEVELOPMENT CONTINUES, SIGNALISED INTERSECTIONS WILL SUPPORT SAFE CYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS NORTH FROM CRAIGIEBURN INTO MICKLEHAM. THE KEY FUTURE NORTH SOUTH CONNECTION WILL BE AITKEN BOULEVARD (APPROXIMATELY 550 METRES EAST OF MALCOLM CREEK) WHICH WILL INCLUDE A SHARED PATH LINK.

PQ778 MR KEITH PATFORD

What does the Council propose to do to eliminate weeds at the Mt Ridley Nature Reserve.....in particular the Scotch Thistle inundation in the north and north-eastern areas; 'rampant' Patterson's curse throughout the reserve, and weeds in general?

RESPONSE: (ACTING DIRECTOR SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES)

THE NORTH AND NORTH EASTERN GRASSLAND SECTION OF THE MT RIDLEY NATURE RESERVE IS MANAGED BY PARKS VICTORIA. COUNCIL MANAGES THE WOODLAND PORTION OF THE RESERVE TOWARDS THE WESTERN SECTION AND THE OPEN SPACE AREA ALONG MALCOLM CREEK.

THESE TYPES OF WEEDS ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE PRESENT IN THE OPEN GRASSLAND AREA OF THE RESERVE.

COUNCIL'S CONSERVATION TEAM AND CONTRACTORS WORK ON THE COUNCIL - MANAGED PART OF THE SITE ON A WEEKLY BASIS. COUNCIL'S PARKS DEPARTMENT ALSO CONDUCTS MOWING OPERATIONS ON A PART OF THE SITE. WHERE THE MOWING OPERATIONS ARE NOT ABLE TO REACH, COUNCIL CONTRACTORS CONDUCT WEED SPRAYING, GENERALLY ON AN AS NEEDS BASIS. THE CONSERVATION TEAM AND CONTRACTOR CAN FOCUS ON THESE WEEDS WHEN THEY ARE NEXT ON SITE.

PARKS VICTORIA ARE NOT ON SITE AS REGULARLY AS COUNCIL. COUNCIL CAN CONTACT PARKS VICTORIA TO ALERT THEM TO THE PRESENCE OF SCOTCH THISTLE AND PATTERSON'S CURSE.

Councillor Naim Kurt returned to the meeting during Public Question Time, the time being 7.28pm.

PQ779 MR KEVIN BALAAM

Due to the restrictions imposed on Hume City residents for the corona virus pandemic, there have been many more people using the local walking and cycling paths, as well riding on-road. Has Hume City made any changes, and are there any further plans, to accommodate this increased usage?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT)

COUNCIL UNDERTOOK A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXERCISE DURING JUNE AND JULY 2020 TO GAUGE THE COMMUNITY'S CHANGING USE OF PUBLIC SPACES DURING COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS, WITH A FOCUS ON WALKING AND CYCLING. THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY WILL ASSIST IN PRIORITISING FUTURE WALKING AND CYCLING RELATED PROJECTS.

COUNCIL IS ALSO CONTINUING WITH ITS WALKING AND CYCLING PLANNING PROGRAM WHICH IN 2020/21 INCLUDES DETAILED INVESTIGATION AND FEASIBILITY OF PROJECTS WITH CONNECTIONS IN ATTWOOD, GREENVALE, CRAIGIEBURN, ROXBURGH PARK, CAMPBELLFIELD, AND SUNBURY.

COUNCIL IS ALSO WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STATE GOVERNMENT AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MERRI CREEK REGIONAL PARKLAND AND JACKSONS CREEK REGIONAL PARKLAND. BOTH OF THESE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN ON HOLD SINCE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS COMMENCED IN MARCH 2020.

WHEN RESTRICTIONS EASE, A LINEMARKING AND SIGNAGE AUDIT WILL BE CONTINUED AND PRIORITY ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED ACROSS THE SHARED PATH NETWORK.

PQ780 MR KEVIN BALAAM

What plans does Hume City have, and what actions have been taken, to improve the amenity and safety of the Aitken Creek Trail for walkers and bike riders through, and from, the Craigieburn Golf Course to near the confluence of Merri Creek?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT)

IN 2020/21, COUNCIL IS FOCUSING ON THE DETAILED INVESTIGATION AND FEASIBILITY OF IMPROVING AND EXTENDING THE AITKEN CREEK TRAIL FROM HOTHLYN DRIVE TO THE RAILWAY LINE AND CONNECTIONS TO CRAIGIEBURN STATION AND ROXBURGH PARK. THE IMPLEMENTATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO VICTRACK AND MELBOURNE WATER APPROVAL.

IMPROVEMENTS TO OTHER SECTIONS OF THE AITKEN CREEK TRAIL WILL THEN BE ASSESSED, INCLUDING THE FEASIBILITY OF CONNECTIONS EAST OF THE RAILWAY LINE TO THE MERRI CREEK.

PQ781 MS SHERIDEN TATE

As council may be aware in April this year the Victorian State Government delayed the implementation of the *Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018* that was due to come into force in July this year.

The *Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018* represented the most significant changes to Victoria's environmental regulatory regime since the commencement of the *EP Act 1970* nearly 50 years ago, by providing a foundation for a transformation of both Victoria's environment protection laws and the EPA. With a focus on preventing waste and pollution impacts rather than managing impact after they have occurred, modernising and strengthening EPA's compliance and enforcement powers and increasing maximum penalties, this Act would of served to enhance the protection of our environment and human health through a more proportionate, risk-based environment protection framework.

We continue to see Hume impacted by waste and recycling fires such as the recent fire at MRI Campbellfield. This fire added to the extensive list of such fires in Hume over the last decade and to events such as the discovery of illegal chemical stockpiles and multiple instances of companies breaching their licences limits, not managing their facilities correctly and allowing contaminants into our waterways.

It is clearly evident that our communities have faced and continue to face serious health and environmental hazards and those operators who are continuing to exploit the weaknesses in the current Act and we now have the added issue of contaminated soil from the WGT project being earmarked for Bulla Hi-quality.

The community of Hume needs the protection stronger legislation that the *Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018* would provide.

Given all these factors would Hume City Council make a stand for the health and safety of it's residents, the Hume environment and waterways and take all necessary steps to call on the Victorian State Government to both immediately rescind the delay of the *Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018* and implement the Amendment Act this year, actively maintaining pressure on the Victorian State Government until this is achieved?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT)

COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE TIMELY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AMENDMENT ACT 2018. THE CHANGES WOULD IMPROVE ENVIROMENTAL OUTCOMES AND PROTECTIONS. COUNCIL CAN CONSIDER ADVOCACY TO GOVERNMENT TO BRING FORWARD THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ACT PRIOR TO JULY 2021.

PQ782 MS SHERIDEN TATE

Given the EPA’s announcement last Tuesday September 1 that it has approved the Environment Management Plans (EMP) for Hi Quality in Bulla to receive tunnel-boring machine spoil from the West Gate Tunnel Project.

Would Hume council be prepared to launch an advocacy campaign or similar, such as the joint Stop the Soil campaign enacted by Melton City and Brimbank City. Perhaps uniting with the Moorabool council who are similarly affected; to aggressively oppose the WGT project contaminated soil being dumped at Bulla Hi-Q? I consider such a campaign would give strength to the community voice and community opposition.

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS, ENGAGEMENT AND ADVOCACY)

COUNCIL CAN CONSIDER ITS POSITION ON AN ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN AS PART OF REPORT SU504 ON PAGE 79 OF TONIGHT’S COUNCIL AGENDA.

12. OFFICER’S REPORTS

Reports Identified as Requiring Individual Discussion

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
ED041	2021 Education Scholarship Program	7
	Moved Cr Geoff Porter, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry	
	That Council awards a \$1,000 Education Scholarship to each of the 52 students named in Attachment 1, in recognition of their demonstration of good citizenship and high scholastic achievements throughout their primary education.	

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
CC119	2021 Community Grants Program Annual Funding Allocations	11
	<i>Councillor Drew Jessop disclosed an Indirect Conflict of Interest with report CC119 - 2021 Community Grants Program Annual Funding Allocations by way of an Indirect financial interest, and left the meeting prior to the motion being moved on the item, the time being 7.46pm.</i>	

Moved Cr Leigh Johnson, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council

- 2.1 endorses the distribution of \$258,370 to the 2021 Community Grants Program, Annual Grants categories in the following manner:**
 - (a) \$39,641 to groups and projects specified in Table 1 of Attachment 1 – New Partnership Grants**
 - (b) \$5,000 to groups and projects specified in Table 2 of Attachment 1 - Project Grants**
 - (c) \$47,997 to groups and projects specified in Table 3 of Attachment 1 - Community Participation Grants**

- (d) \$46,429 to groups and projects specified in Table 4 of Attachment 1 - Community Group Operational Grants
 - (e) \$119,302 to groups and projects specified in Table 5 of Attachment 1 - Pre-committed grants across four categories.
- 2.2 notes that dispersal of funds identified in 2.1 will be subject to satisfactory acquittal of any current/outstanding grants.
- 2.3 notes that Round 2 of the 2021 Community Grants program will open in 27 January 2021 and close 28 February 2021. This round will have a total allocation of \$114,030.

Councillor Ann Potter left the meeting after the motion had been moved on item CC119, the time being 7.51pm, and did not return to vote on the item.

CARRIED

Councillor Drew Jessop returned to the meeting after the vote had been taken on report CC119 - 2021 Community Grants Program Annual Funding Allocations, the time being 7.52pm.

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
SU502	Conserving our Rural Environment Grant - 2020/21	41

Moved Cr Drew Jessop, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

- 2.1 That Council approves the allocation of \$319,502.24 to 48 Project Grants in accordance with Attachment 1.

Councillor Ann Potter returned to the meeting before the vote on item SU502 the time being 7.53pm, and voted on the item,

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
SU503	Environmentally Sustainable Development in the Hume Planning Scheme - Proposed Planning Scheme Amendment C251	69

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Drew Jessop

That Council resolves to:

- 2.1 seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit Amendment C251 to the Hume Planning Scheme as detailed in Attachment 1.
- 2.2 advise the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) that it is Council's preference that the Amendment be undertaken as a Group Council (GC) amendment with other councils proposing the same Amendment.
- 2.3 authorise Council officers to make required clerical or format changes to the Amendment so that it is consistent with what is required as part of the new format Planning Scheme.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
SU504	Amendment C248 - Response to Minister for Planning request for Council views	79

The Chief Executive Officer read out a submitted statement to Council on behalf of Ms Sheriden Tate.

Moved Cr Leigh Johnson, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council:

- 2.1 notes the reasons for objecting to the amendment request outlined in the report and the response prepared by Maddocks in Attachment 1.
- 2.2 provides a response to the Minister for Planning objecting to:
 - 2.2.1 the request to advance the amendment request under Section 20(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.
 - 2.2.2 the use of the Hi-Quality site at 570 – 650 Sunbury Road, Bulla for the storage, testing and disposal of soil from the West Gate Tunnel project.
- 2.3 supports the community generated media and advocacy campaign to fight this proposal.
- 2.4 seeks confirmation from the Minister for Planning that if the proposed amendment were approved that the proposed facility and associated truck movements would not impact the timing of the Sunbury Road duplication project.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
SU505	Craigieburn West Precinct Structure Plan Update	175

The Chief Executive Officer read out a submitted statement to Council on behalf of Ms Tamara Nolan and Mr Charlie Grech.

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Drew Jessop

That Council:

- 2.1 Write to the Minister for Planning indicating that it does not support the expedited finalisation of the Craigieburn West PSP without an associated budget commitment to the duplication of Mickleham Road between Somerton and Donnybrook Roads that sees completion of works prior to or in tandem with development proposed in the PSP.**
- 2.2 Advise the Minister and the VPA of its support of any outcomes of the engagement process run by the VPA and review of unresolved issues by an Advisory Committee would be contingent upon:**
 - 2.1.1 A funding commitment to duplicate Mickleham Road between Somerton Road and Donnybrook Road before approval of the Craigieburn West PSP.**
 - 2.1.2 Notifying the local community and holding a public information session or webinars in the first two weeks of the engagement period initiated by the VPA.**
 - 2.1.3 Evidence of the times, benchmarks and costings being provided to Council confirming the Infrastructure Contribution Plan (ICP) will be a standard ICP levy.**
- 2.3 Endorses officers to make submissions to any fast track or Advisory Committee process established for the Craigieburn West PSP based on key outcomes discussed in this report.**

Councillor Ann Potter left the meeting after the motion had been moved on the item, the time being 8.18pm.

Councillor Ann Potter returned to the meeting prior to the vote on the item, the time being 8.22pm, and voted on the item.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
GE463	Financial Report 2019/20	193

Moved Cr Drew Jessop, **Seconded** Cr Ann Potter

- 2.1 That Council resolves to approve in principal the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2020.
- 2.2 That the Mayor, Councillor Carly Moore and Councillor Drew Jessop OAM be authorised to certify the Financial Statements in their final form after any recommended changes have been made and agreed to by the Auditor-General.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
GE464	Performance Statement 2019/20	277

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Drew Jessop

- 2.1 That Council resolves to approve in principal the Performance Statement (Attachment One) for the financial year ending 30 June 2020 and note the associated Governance and Management Checklist (Attachment Two).
- 2.2 That the Mayor, Councillor Carly Moore and Councillor Drew Jessop OAM be authorised to certify the statements in their final form after any recommended changes have been made and agreed to by the Auditor General.
- 2.3 Council note the Materiality Guidelines (Attachment Three) that are used in the preparation of the Performance Statement and LGPRF reporting in accordance with Local Government Victoria Best Practice Guidelines.

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting after the item was moved, the time being 8.33pm.

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting prior to the vote on the item, the time being 8.35pm, and voted on the item.

CARRIED

Reports Not Otherwise Dealt With

Moved Cr Ann Potter, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
CC118	Creative Community Strategy	11
GE462	Report to Council on Audit and Risk Committee Business Undertaken	185

be adopted.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
CC118	Creative Community Strategy	11

Moved Cr Ann Potter, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

That Council:

2.1 adopts the Creative Community Strategy (2020-2025).

2.2 notes that this strategy will require additional resources to implement. The budget required to enable strategy execution will be referred to the council planning processes for annual budget consideration.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
GE462	Report to Council on Audit and Risk Committee Business Undertaken	185

Moved Cr Ann Potter, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

That Council notes the report from the Audit and Risk Committee on the activities undertaken by the Committee for the period 1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020.

CARRIED

13. PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
PJL291	Petition requesting the removal of paving stones on Central Park Avenue and Bellfield Drive Craigieburn and request removal of trees on the nature strip on Bellfield Drive Craigieburn.	5

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Jodi Jackson

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

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
PJL292	Joint Letter seeking Council's approval to plant olive trees on the nature strip of the Somers Estate, Greenvale	5

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

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

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MEETING

14. DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

15. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

16. DELEGATES REPORTS

DEL094 DELEGATES REPORT – MELBOURNE AIRPORT COMMUNITY AVIATION CONSULTATION GROUP

Councillor Medcraft advised that he had recently attended the Melbourne Airport Community Aviation Consultation Group (CACG) meeting and noted the number of people who had been through the Melbourne Airport in 2020 in comparison to 2019 was staggering.

17. GENERAL BUSINESS

JES268 REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF STREET TREES IN CRAIGIEBURN

Councillor Drew Jessop

Moved Cr Drew Jessop, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council provide a report to a future Strategy & Policy briefing on the following matter:

For the following streets: Yarcombe Crescent, Brayford Nook, Bampton Mews, Brecon Nook, Bembridge Mews, Banstead Nook, and Bristol Mews, Craigieburn, a report be presented on the:

- **Street trees and their general condition**
- **The trees' current effect on Native Animal Habitat, and Tree Canopy cover**
- **The potential cost to replace some or all of the trees in these streets, and budget sources for such a program**
- **The potential loss of home values when all trees are removed**
- **A possible survey and consultation option to reach out to all owners, to seek their views on tree removal, and**
- **Possible changes to council's Street Tree Policy and Urban Forest Guidelines to enable accelerated tree renewals of this section of Craigieburn ahead of normal practice.**

AMENDMENT

Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

That officers include in the report presented to Councillors: all correspondence received by Council from members of the community from those streets, with regard to complaints, removal requests, and any insurance claims either rejected or accepted by Council.

Councillor Naim Kurt left the meeting after the Amendment on the General Business Item had been moved, the time being 8.54pm and did not return to vote on the Amendment.

LOST

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

For	Against
Cr Jodi Jackson	Cr Joseph Haweil
Cr Geoff Porter	Cr Drew Jessop
	Cr Leigh Johnson
	Cr Jack Medcraft
	Cr Carly Moore
	Cr Ann Potter
	Cr Karen Sherry
	Cr Jana Taylor

Councillor Naim Kurt returned to the meeting following the request for a Division on the Amendment, the time being 8.57pm, and did not vote on the Division.

The original motion was then put:

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- **The potential loss of home values when all trees are removed**
- **A possible survey and consultation option to reach out to all owners, to seek their views on tree removal, and**
- **Possible changes to council's Street Tree Policy and Urban Forest Guidelines to enable accelerated tree renewals of this section of Craigieburn ahead of normal practice.**

Councillor Naim Kurt left the meeting after the motion had been moved on the item the time being 9.00pm.

Councillor Naim Kurt returned to the meeting prior to the vote on the General Business item, the time being 9.01pm, and voted on the item.

CARRIED

Councillor Jessop took the opportunity to thank the Councillors and Mayor for this term of Council, as this would be the last Ordinary Meeting of this Council.

- SHE039** **CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING CARRICK DRIVE BRIDGE FOOTPATH**
Councillor Karen Sherry
- Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Naim Kurt
- That Council writes to the Department of Transport regarding the bridge overpass on Carrick Drive Gladstone Park enroute to Tullamarine to investigate whether a footpath can be provided on the bridge.**
- CARRIED**
- SHE040** **CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING EXTENDING JOBSEEKER PAYMENTS**
Councillor Karen Sherry
- Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Jana Taylor
- That Council writes to the Federal Minister for Families and Social Services, Senator the Honourable Anne Ruston and the Federal Treasurer Senator the Honourable Josh Frydenburg seeking an extension of current Jobseeker payments (via the corona virus supplement) and Jobkeeper at the current rate for suburbs that have been in extended lockdown (such as postcode 3047 which includes Broadmeadows, Jacana and Dallas) and postcode 3064 (such as Craigieburn, Mickleham, Donnybrook, Kalkallo and Roxburgh Park), and to delay the tapering off of payments commencing in September 2020 for Jobseeker and other similar welfare payments and to also delay the ending of Jobkeeper in March 2021. In doing so, we advocate strongly for increased supports as a result of Covid-19 impacts on Victorian communities and the economy.**
- CARRIED**
- SHE041** **CONGRATULATIONS TO BRITE INDUSTRIES**
Councillor Karen Sherry
- Moved** Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Leigh Johnson
- That Council write to Brite Industries CEO Nick McHale congratulating them on their decision to make protective equipment at their Belfast St premises in Broadmeadows.**
- CARRIED**
- MED282** **REQUEST FOR ROAD SURFACING ON MACEDON ST SUNBURY FOLLOW-UP**
Councillor Jack Medcraft
- Moved** Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Leigh Johnson
- That Council write to Local Member for Sunbury, Mr Josh Bull, VicRoads, and the Minister for Transport to ask when will my previous request for road surfacing on Macedon St Sunbury be done.**
- CARRIED**

MED283**REQUEST FOR SUNBURY BUS TERMINAL FOLLOW-UP**

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Ann Potter

That Council write to Local Member for Sunbury, Mr Josh Bull, the Minister for Transport, VicTrack, Metro, and the Department of Transport, to ask when will previous requests to have the Sunbury Bus Terminal cleaned and painted along with speakers for classical music be done.

CARRIED

Councillor Medcraft took the opportunity to thank the Councillors and Mayor for this term of Council.

POT276**REQUEST FOR LANGAMA PARK SUNBURY MASTER PLAN**

Councillor Ann Potter

Moved Cr Ann Potter, **Seconded** Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council officers prepare a Master Plan for Langama Park, Sunbury, and the plan to take into consideration the following items:

- **Landscaping and pathways through the site;**
- **Review of drainage across the site;**
- **Possible opportunities for synthetic and or small sided sports at the site;**
- **Car parking across the site;**
- **Upgraded play space.**

CARRIED

Councillor Potter took the opportunity to thank the Councillors and Mayor for this term of Council, and acknowledged the achievements despite these unprecedented times.

TAY039**ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON BUSINESSES**

Councillor Jana Taylor

Moved Cr Jana Taylor, **Seconded** Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council officers monitor the impact of COVID-19 during the easing of restrictions on businesses in Victoria and prepare a report for a future Strategy and Policy briefing on:

- 1. The impact of such restrictions on the Hume Economy**
- 2. The likely number of business closures and;**
- 3. Outline recommendations on further government support required for our business community and subsequent job seekers**

CARRIED

POR165

BROADMEADOWS READY-TO-GO PROJECTS

Councillor Geoff Porter

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, **Seconded** Cr Jana Taylor

That Council officers determine a list of suitable ready-to-go projects within the Broadmeadows region for submission to local Member of Parliament, Mr Frank McGuire, and to the Victorian Treasurer for consideration of financial support post COVID-19 in delivering these projects.

CARRIED

Councillor Porter took the opportunity to thank the Council and Mayor for this term of Council, and wished the future Council well.

Councillor Porter wished those in the community a Happy Father's Day for Sunday 6 September 2020.

Councillor Porter thanked the local community for their commitment to reducing the numbers of COVID-19, and encouraged the community to continue doing the right thing.

JAC037

REQUEST FOR AITKEN CREEK BRIDGE REPAIRS

Councillor Jodi Jackson

Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, **Seconded** Cr Drew Jessop

That Council request officers to inspect and undertake necessary repairs to the railing on the low-level crossing at Aitken Creek bridge, between Clovelly Drive and Axminster Drive which was once again destroyed in recent floods.

CARRIED

JOH066

CORRESPONDENCE TO ST JOHN'S AMBULANCE SUNBURY

Councillor Leigh Johnson

Moved Cr Leigh Johnson, **Seconded** Cr Ann Potter

That Council writes to St John's Ambulance Sunbury Division, and thank them on behalf of our community for their ongoing dedicated service.

CARRIED

HAW080

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DONNYBROOK CEMETERY

Councillor Joseph Haweil

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, **Seconded** Cr Jodi Jackson**That Council officers:**

- 1. provide a report to a future Strategy and Policy Briefing on the planning framework for the existing Donnybrook Cemetery and how it impacts its future development.**
- 2. Write to the Department of Health and Human Services seeking information on its Strategy for providing cemetery services in the north of Melbourne having regard to:**

- a) **The declining capacity of the Northern Memorial Park (Fawkner) and the prohibitive cost structure for new and emerging communities;**
- b) **The recent end of available capacity at Donnybrook Cemetery;**
- c) **GMCT's plans to develop a new facility at Harkness in Melbourne's west; and,**
- d) **Whether consideration has been given to the preference of large faith communities in Hume for burial in the planning process.**

Councillor Ann Potter declared a Conflict of Interest in the item after it had been moved, and left the meeting, the time being 10.00pm.

CARRIED

Councillor Ann Potter returned to the meeting after the vote had been taken on the General Business item, the time being 10.10pm.

HAW081

CORRESPONDENCE TO SBS REGARDING GAMBLING ADVERTISEMENTS

Councillor Joseph Haweil

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

That Hume City Council writes to Mr George Savvides AM, Chairperson of the SBS Board and the Office of the SBS Ombudsman to:

1. **Express its concern at SBS' ongoing acceptance of gambling industry revenue through the broadcasting of dangerous and addictive gambling advertisements.**
2. **Express its belief that gambling advertisements undermine the integrity of the SBS Charter.**
3. **Note the nationwide survey commissioned by SaveOurSBS which has previously found that 91% of SBS viewers want an end to SBS broadcasting betting and gambling advertisements.**
4. **Urge SBS to put the health and wellbeing of its culturally and linguistically diverse audience ahead of gambling advertisement profits.**
5. **Request that the Federal Government fund SBS to the equal value of the amount that they are gaining from gambling revenue.**

CARRIED

Councillor Haweil took the opportunity to thank the community, Councillors, and Mayor for this term of Council.

KUR086 REQUEST FOR OPEN SPACE STRATEGY AND POTENTIAL NEW PARK OPTIONS

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Jodi Jackson

That Council notes the previous findings of our Open Space Strategy which notes Campbellfield is deficient in the accessibility of open space, and a report is prepared for a future Strategy and Policy session in regards to the provision of a potential new park in Campbellfield. The report should include options for a new park, potential costings and a course of action for prioritisation in future funding programs.

CARRIED

KUR087 REQUEST FOR FOOTPATH SOUTH CIRCULAR ROAD AND WOLVERTON DVE GLADSTONE PARK

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

That a report is prepared for a future Strategy and Policy briefing session regarding the addition of a footpath from South Circular Rd to Wolverton Drv in Gladstone Park, potentially using unallocated money from the Jacana Valley Masterplan implementation.

CARRIED

KUR088 REQUEST FOR POST COVID-19 LOCAL BUSINESS AND JOB SUPPORT

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Jodi Jackson

That Council officers prepare a report to a future Strategy and Policy briefing session outlining what options Council could consider in its operating / ongoing contract and service requirements for works to support local business and local jobs past the COVID-19 lockdowns.

CARRIED

18. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

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

Moved Cr Drew Jessop, **Seconded** Cr Geoff Porter

THAT Council close the meeting to the public pursuant to section 66(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* to consider the following items, which were confidential for the purposes of section 77 of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

Report No.	Title	Reason for Confidential
COSU166	Contract - Provision of Concrete and Maintenance Services	(d) contractual matter
COSU167	Contract – Almurta Avenue, Coolaroo – Road Reconstruction	(d) contractual matter
COGE296	Information Technology Contracts	(d) contractual matter
COGE297	Contract - Provisional of Telecommunications Services	(d) contractual matter
COGE298	Annual assessment of Audit and Risk Committee performance against the Committee Charter	(h) any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person
COGE299	Assembly of Councillors - August 2020	(h) any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 10.36pm

The meeting did not reopen to the public.

19 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10.44pm.

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COUNCILLOR CARLY MOORE
MAYOR