

COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2024

7.00PM

TOWN HALL BROADMEADOWS

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

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

These minutes will be presented to Council for confirmation on Monday, 26 February 2024.

HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL held on Monday, 12 February 2024 at 7.00pm at the Town Hall Broadmeadows

Attendees:	a: Council	Cr Naim Kurt Cr Karen Sherry 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	Mayor Deputy Mayor
	b: Officers	Ms Sheena Frost Ms Rachel Dapiran Mr Hector Gaston Mr Adam McSwain Mr Carl Muller Ms Fiona Shanks Mr Fadi Srour Mr Joel Kimber Ms Veronica Rowley	Chief Executive Officer Director City Planning and Places Director City Services & Living Director Infrastructure and Assets Director Customer & Strategy Chief People Officer Chief Financial Officer Acting Manager Governance 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

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 Rev Satvasheela Pandhare, from the Anglican community, on behalf of the HIN.

Rev Satvasheela Pandhare read the prayer:

God, our Creator and Sustainer,

We thank you for allowing us to come together.

We thank you for the gift of life. Help us use our life for your glory and the service of your people.

Loving God, we pray for your blessings on this meeting. Bless the leaders of Hume City Council; and grant them your wisdom and strength as they discuss and plan future programs. Help us all draw closer to one another and you. We ask this in the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

3. APOLOGIES

Nil

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

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.

5. CONGRATULATIONS AND CONDOLENCES

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 December 2023, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 December, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

7. ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCIL

7.1 Summary of Council Briefing Session - 18 December 2023

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

That Council notes the Summary of Matters Discussed at the Council Briefing Session held on 18 December 2023.

Summary of matters discussed at a MEETING CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF COUNCIL

MEETING TITLE: COUNCIL BRIEFING SESSION

Date of Meeting: 18 December 2023

Time of Meeting: 6:30pm

Place of Meeting: In person and Online Via MS Teams

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

COUNCILLORS PRESI	ENT	
Cr Naim Kurt (Mayor)		In person
Cr Jarrod Bell		In person
Cr Trevor Dance		Online
Cr Joseph Haweil		In person
Cr Chris Hollow		In person
Cr Jodi Jackson		Online
Cr Sam Misho		In person
Cr Carly Moore		In person
Cr Jim Overend		Online
Cr Karen Sherry		In person
OFFICERS PRESENT		MATTERS ADDRESSED
Ms Sheena Frost	In person	See matters considered below
Mr Hector Gaston	In person	See matters considered below
Ms Fiona Shanks	In person	See matters considered below
Mr Adam McSwain	In person	See matters considered below
Mr Fadi Srour	In person	See matters considered below
Ms Rachel Dapiran	In person	See matters considered below
Ms Sasha Lord	In person	See matters considered below
Mr Joel Kimber	In person	See matters considered below
Mr Greg McLaren	In person	See matters considered below
Ms Ayfer Demiralp	In person	See matters considered below

MATTERS CONSIDERED:

Order	Description	Names of Councillors who disclosed conflict of interest	Did the Councillor leave the meeting?	Confidential ground of grounds
1	Arrangements for management of meeting	Nil		

Meeting Closed at: 6.57 PM

RECORDED BY:

Sheena Frost Chief Executive Officer

CARRIED

8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

PQ1081 PUBLIC QUESTION - LISA LARSON

Online participation of residents is an important component of local democratic process in an environment where your counsellors are also enabled to participate in public meetings online. When will Hume allow a chat function live in your council meetings to ensure that council are capturing all the normal questions from your community?

RESPONSE: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:

Under Division 8 – Public Engagement with Council in Council's Governance Rules: Public Questions must be submitted to Council under the following conditions:

- They must be in writing, stating the name and address of the person submitting the question and generally be in a form approved or permitted by Council.
- They must be submitted prior to 12 noon on the day of the Council meeting and
- No person may submit more than two questions at any one meeting.

To accept questions outside of this process would require an amendment to Council's Governance Rules.

PQ1082 PUBLIC QUESTION - LISA LARSON

I would like to note to council that we are currently (December) coming to the heights of cat breeding season. I walk daily in Broadmeadows valley parklands, and have been observing ongoing feral cat activity. I am shocked and saddened to have to report to council that on my walks, I have noticed an increase in the carcasses of feral cats clogging the stream. It appears that many of these cats have lived and died by the stream, often in shocking circumstances of slow starvation, finally succumbing and falling into the stream. What is council doing to address the feral cat population clogging our waterways and polluting our parklands?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES AND LIVING:

• Officers share residents' concerns regarding the large volume of feral cats within Broadmeadows Valley Parklands and other areas across the municipality.

- Ordinarily, Council operates an extensive cat trapping program throughout the year to capture feral and roaming cats in the municipality.
- Regrettably, this program had to be halted in late 2023 due to a widespread shortage of cat vaccines, adversely affecting veterinary practices and animal shelters nationwide.
- The suspension of Council's cat trapping program has been necessary to ensure an adequate supply of vaccines for cats requiring veterinary attention, and those already residing in shelter environments.
- Council is continuing to work closely with its shelter operator, the Lost Dogs Home, and other local animal welfare groups to respond to this situation as it continues to unfold.
- Importantly, Council is continuing to accept surrendered cats into our shelter. This ensures that cats that can no longer be cared for can be rehomed, avoiding a further increase in feral or stray populations.
- Alongside cat trapping activities, Council partners with a number of local organisations to provide affordable cat desexing services to owners experiencing financial hardship. These initiatives not only contribute to the overall well-being of cats, but also aim to curb unwanted litters and address over-population concerns.

PQ1083 PUBLIC QUESTION - HOLLIE PANTALONE

I asked council to fix the local road at 100 Bonds Ln Greenvale as currently unsafe and the reply i got from an officer was that council won't be upgrading that small section of road as the developer will need to do it once they develop the land from the properties around them. This could not happen for another 20 years. Can council at least lay some new asphalt to the approx 300 meters of road and wide enough so two cars can drive safety?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Council will continue to inspect and maintain this section of Bonds Lane in accordance with its original standard. Under the Precinct Structure Plan the developer of the adjoining land is responsible for the upgrade of the road.

PQ1084 PUBLIC QUESTION - HOLLIE PANTALONE

Section Road/ Somerton Road Intersection Upgrade council first advised this project was due to be completed by 2023/24 why has it been pushed back to 2026-27?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Unfortunately, there have been delays with approvals related to existing underground services along Somerton Road that have delayed this project and led to the modified timeframe. Officers will seek to get this completed as soon as possible.

PQ1085 PUBLIC QUESTION - JAMES PANTALONE

Will council consider upgrading all current street signage within the municipality to the green colour background like the new historical street signs to maintain continuity?

Coloured street signs are installed at many other councils like Moonee Valley and really provide great street and area appeal.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Council has no plans to upgrade existing street name signage. The green background on historical signs has been used to differentiate these signs from regular street signs. The replacement of existing functional street signs would be a significant cost to Council and the community.

PQ1086 PUBLIC QUESTION - JAMES PANTALONE

Will council consider upgrading the Melrose Drive Tullamarine local shopping area to improve the presentation, features and safety of the shopping area?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY PLANNING AND PLACES

In 2023, Council delivered beautification works by installing fairy lights to enhance the nighttime ambience of the Melrose Drive shopping strip, supporting local businesses after dark.

Although there are no immediate plans for a significant upgrade of the Melrose Drive Shopping Strip, it remains on the program for future Activity Centre upgrades throughout Hume. This year, Council will carry out additional quality evaluations and engage with the community to determine which centres should be prioritised for upgrades, including Melrose Drive in the considerations.

PQ1087 PUBLIC QUESTION - MICHAEL RUSSO

Will council upgrade the Dawson St Tullamarine Shopping Strip? Being a resident of the area of 20 years nothing has ever been done to it like installing basic council facilities like public seating, new paving etc

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR PLANNING & PLACES

While there are no immediate plans for an upgrade to the Dawson Street Shopping Strip in the next few years, it is on the program for future Shopping Centre upgrades across Hume, and Council will be carrying out further quality assessments and community engagement to establish the priority centres for upgrades for which Dawson Street will be considered.

We have received several requests from community for minor amenity upgrades which are currently being reviewed.

Councillor Jodi Jackson left the meeting, the time being 7:16pm.

Councillor Jodi Jackson returned to the meeting, the time being 7:18pm.

PQ1088 PUBLIC QUESTION - MICHAEL RUSSO

Will council upgrade Broadmeadows Road in Tullamarine it is looking tired and needs a facelift like upgrading the old roundabouts, traffic islands, school crossing islands? As a long time residence, we feel as Tullamarine is neglected and doesn't get the same basic care as other suburbs like Sunbury or Broadmeadows.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE & ASSETS

Broadmeadows Road is a collector road in an established area and Council's objective in terms of maintenance is to maintain the current level of service. The existing roundabouts and traffic islands are functioning as intended and have not reached the end of their useful life. When it comes to traffic treatments, Council prioritises funding on the basis of road safety. An inspection will be undertaken to check plantings and weed management along this road.

PQ1089 PUBLIC QUESTION - CHRIS O'NEILL

Can HCC please provide an update of the total cost of the Indoor Cricket Training Centre Including construction + land acquisition. Including in the response the initial budget, and now total expected budget at completion in June 2024.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR SERVICES & LIVING

The combined funding to deliver this project was originally \$6,980,946 GST Exclusive. This figure includes \$1,500,000 funding from Sport & Recreation Victoria.

Council approved an increase to account for cost escalations bringing the total budget to \$10,804,293 GST exclusive).

As approved by the Department of Environment, land, water & planning (DELWP) (November 2022) there was no cost to Council for the crown land acquisition for the site of the project.

PQ1090 PUBLIC QUESTION - CHRIS O'NEILL

In the draft indoor sports plan HE118 - December 2020 - A 10 year plan for the needs of indoor sporting venues in HCC there is no mention of the need of an Indoor Cricket Training Centre in Hume.

Can Hume please advise in how what masterplans, sports plans or any other council plans the needs for an Indoor Cricket Training Centre were raise, noted or mentioned?

(Provide further links to the documents in response email)

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR SERVICES & LIVING

The provision of an indoor cricket training centre in Hume was not identified in Councils strategic planning documentation but was initiated for investigation post the release of the Victorian Cricket Infrastructure Strategy and the Victorian Government Cricket Grant Funding Program.

The Victorian Cricket Infrastructure Strategy identified the need for 13 Cricket and Community Centre's in Victoria including 5 metropolitan facilities. The objective of a Cricket and Community Centre is to improve access to cricket programs, pathways and development services.

The Victorian Government established the Metropolitan Cricket and Community Centre funding stream as part of the Cricket Grant Funding Program to assist in developing the centres.

In November 2019, Council requested a report on the opportunity to apply to the funding program for a cricket academy/hub in Hume. Greenvale Recreation Reserve, Councils regional cricket reserve, was identified as meeting the criteria for a Metropolitan Cricket and Community Centre except for an indoor training facility.

Council endorsed the submission of an expression of interest (EOI) to the Victorian Government to establish a Metropolitan Cricket and Community Centre at Greenvale Recreation Reserve. A detailed business case was developed for a 6-lane indoor cricket centre and pavilion to support the EOI. In October 2020 Sport and Recreation Victoria advised Council that the EOI was successful and invited Council to submit a full application for the project. Council endorsed the submission of a funding application for the project to the Victorian Government in December 2020 and referred funding to Council's Capital Works Program pending success of the application. Funding was announced by the Victoria Government in March 2022 and the project approved for construction.

PQ1091 PUBLIC QUESTION - MEL O'NEILL

Can you please provide a copy of the risk management plan completed before making the decision to move the babies class into the shallow end (0.9m) of the 25m pool at SALC?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR SERVICES & LIVING

The Hume swim school program adheres to the Royal Life Saving Society Guidelines for Safe Pool Operations, which are the minimum industry standards. The changes referred to in the question are in line with the standards.

Since the introduction of the changes officers have received feedback regarding discomfort at this depth. Based on feedback received the changes are currently being reviewed.

PQ1092 PUBLIC QUESTION - MEL O'NEILL

In August 2022, I met with the Group Manager - Hume Leisure who advised me that he was asked to prepare a Service Plan on the Aquatic Centres in Hume. Please provide a copy of this service plan and the date it was completed?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR SERVICES & LIVING

Since your meeting with officers, the scope of the Service and Infrastructure Plan has been expanded to include, leisure facilities, as well as indoor and outdoor sports. The process for appointing industry consultants is anticipated to be completed in March 2024.

Community consultation will be conducted in the early stages of this process.

Council has committed to developing a masterplan for Sunbury Aquatic and Leisure Centre in the 2024/25 financial year.

9. OFFICERS' REPORTS

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9.1	Planning Scheme Amendment C267 - 45 Donnybrook Road, Mickleham - Consideration of Submissions	45

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council:

- 2.1 considers all submissions, including late submissions, in accordance with Section 22(2) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*;
- 2.2 adopts Planning Scheme Amendment C267 to the Hume Planning Scheme with all changes outlined in this report, in accordance with Section 29(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987;*
- 2.3 signs and seals the Agreement with Bunkerhill Pty Ltd accompanying Amendment C267 under Section 173 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*; and

2.4 submits the adopted Amendment C267 to the Minister for Planning for approval in accordance with Section 31(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

CARRIED)
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9.2		ge Overlay Review – Planning Scheme C266 – Adoption of Amendment	103
	Moved Cr Ch	ris Hollow, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry	
	report	uncil, having considered the independent Pla in accordance with Section 27 of the <i>P</i> iment Act 1987:	-
	as wi	opts Planning Scheme Amendment C266 w outlined in Attachment 4 of this report, in th Section 29(1) of the <i>Planning and Envi</i> 887; and	accordance
		bmits the adopted Amendment C266 to the anning for approval in accordance with Sect	
			CARRIED
	ADJOURNME	INT	
7:36pm	Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Carly Moore		
		aim Kurt called for the meeting be adjourned iculties could be fixed.	so that CARRIED
	RESUMPTION	N OF THE MEETING	
7:42pm	Moved Cr Jar	rod Bell, Seconded Cr Carly Moore	
	That the mee	ting be resumed.	CARRIED
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9.3	Sustainability	y Taskforce New Members and TOR update	Agenda 237
	Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, Seconded Cr Carly Moore		
	That Counci	il:	
		orses the new Committee comprising 16 meml -2025 term, and	bers for the
		orse the attached Terms of Reference which ntly reviewed.	have been

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9.4	Civic Events Schedule 2024		257		
	Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Sec	onded Cr Karen Sherry			
	2.1 That Council a as listed at 9.8.5.	pproves the Civic Events sch	edule for 2024		
	Amendment				
	Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, Se	conded Cr Sam Misho			
	That the schedule h include:	ighlighted in Section 9.8.5. be	amended to		
	1. An event to acknowledge Diwali, a major and important Indian festival celebrated by various faiths in India including the Hindu, Sikh and Jain faiths				
	2. An event to acknowledge Easter, the most important celebration in the Christian ecclesiastical calendar				
	A division was requested: The result of the division was as follows:				
	For	Agains	t		
	Cr Jarrod Bell Cr Trevor Dance Cr Joseph Haweil Cr Jodi Jackson Cr Naim Kurt Cr Jack Medcraft Cr Sam Misho Cr Jim Overend Cr Karen Sherry	Cr Chris Hollow Cr Carly Moore			
			CARRIED		
	The substantive motion was then put				
	That the schedule highlighted in Section 9.8.5. be amended to include:				
	1. An event to acknowledge Diwali, a major and important Indian festival celebrated by various faiths in India including the Hindu, Sikh and Jain faiths				

2. An event to acknowledge Easter, the most important celebration in the Christian ecclesiastical calendar

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9.5	Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meetings of the Hume City Council held on 27 May 2022, 29 August 2022, 25 November 2022, 24 February 2023, 26 May 2023, 28 September 2023 and 24 November 2023	261

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

- 2.1 THAT Council confirms the Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting of the Hume City Council held on 27 May 2022, 29 August 2022, 25 November 2022, 24 February 2023, 26 May 2023, and 28 September 2023.
- 2.2 THAT Council notes the draft Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meetings of the Hume City Council held on 24 November 2023 and that these will be presented to the Audit and Risk Committee on 1 March 2024 for confirmation.

Councillor Jodi Jackson left the meeting during the discussion on *item* 9.5 *Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meetings of the Hume City Council held on 27 May 2022, 29 August 2022, 25 November 2022, 24 February 2023, 26 May 2023, 28 September 2023 and 24 November 2023,* the time being 8:15pm.

Councillor Jodi Jackson returned to the meeting during the discussion on *item* 9.5 *Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meetings of the Hume City Council held on* 27 *May* 2022, 29 *August* 2022, 25 *November* 2022, 24 *February* 2023, 26 *May* 2023, 28 *September* 2023 *and* 24 *November* 2023, the time being 8:17pm.

CARRIED

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

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10.1	NOM24/01 - Cr Joseph Haweil	263		
	Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Sam Misho	Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Sam Misho		
	THAT:			
	1. Council notes the Final Report of the Victorian Parliament's Public Accounts and Estimates Committee (PAEC) inquiry 'Gambling and liquor regulation in Victoria: a follow up of three Auditor-General reports', released on 28 November 2023.			
	2. Council strongly welcomes PAEC's 61 recommenda that 'there is still more work that both Government and can do' to reduce gambling and alcohol related harm t community'.	d the industry		

3. Council reaffirms its ongoing sector policy and advocacy leadership in reducing the harm caused by gambling, noting in particular its recent sector-leading work, including: a. Public advocacy on community benefits arrangements as reported by the ABC (March 2023), The Age newspaper (May 2023) and The Guardian (October 2023).

b. The Municipal Association of Victoria State Council resolving on 13 October 2023 to support Hume City Council's motion relating to a review of the community benefits arrangements (following Council's approval of NOM23/023 on 14 August 2023).

c. The success of Council's Gambling Harm Symposium held on 2 October 2023 in Craigieburn.

4. Council acknowledges the work of PAEC in completing this inquiry and puts on record its appreciation to Ms Sarah Connolly MP, Chair and to members.

5. Council write to The Hon Melissa Horne MP, Minister for Casino, Gaming and Liquor Regulation, Minister for Local Government, Minister for Ports and Freight and Minister for Roads and Road Safety, urging the Victorian Government to adopt in full PAEC's recommendations with particular reference to the following of major relevance to Hume City:

a. Recommendation 1: relating to extension of support for the Libraries After Dark Program or similar programs.

b. Recommendation 4: relating to the Victorian Government reviewing the purpose of the community benefits arrangements.

c. Recommendation 5: asking the Victorian Government to consider replacing the existing community benefits arrangements and to redirect the 8.33% of gaming revenue of clubs with electronic gaming machine licenses to a publicly-managed fund targeted towards reducing and preventing gambling harm.

d. Recommendation 9: relating to the reduction of the total number of Electronic Gaming Machines.

e. Recommendation 10: relating to the Victorian Government urging the Commonwealth Government to implement advertising bans in relation to gambling activities in line with international best practice. f. Recommendation 12: relating to the evidentiary burdens imposed on gambling venue licence applicants and the difficulties faced by councils in raising objections.

g. Recommendation 13: which seeks the Victorian Government to review Precinct Structure Plans in existing planning laws to consider whether new venues should continue to be classified as recreational and/or entertainment facilities in newly established greenfield estates.

h. Recommendation 14: relating to the establishment of a regular program of consultation with local government by the Victorian Gambling and Casino Control Commission.

6. Council continues to monitor governmental inquiries related to gambling harm and provides an update to Council once further information in relation to the Victorian Government's response to this particular PAEC inquiry is known.

Report No.	Report
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10.2 NOM24/02 - Cr Joseph Haweil

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Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Jodi Jackson

THAT:

1. Council notes the following from the Hume City Council Outdoor Sports Plan (2020) and Council's Leisure Strategy 2013-18:

a. That by 2041, football (soccer) will be the second-most participated-in sport, following Australian football.
b. That despite the Plan's forecast as noted in (a), Hume participation in football (soccer) increased 13% from 2018-2023 while Hume participation in the nearest sport by participation numbers, Australian football, declined 0.3% in the same period.

c. That football (soccer) has already met 61.5% of the 2041 participation forecast as at 2023 and based on these trends will far exceed the Plan's forecast well ahead of the forecast date. d. That '... National and state level increases in soccer participation

d. That '... National and state level increases in soccer participation and changes in Hume's cultural demographic and diversity have seen a participation shift toward soccer in areas of the city over the past two decades'.

e. 'Membership of Broadmeadows Planning Area clubs has maintained at 2005/06 levels with rugby and soccer participation growing strongly but a significant decline in athletics, Australian football (three clubs have folded in the past 10 years) and junior cricket'.

2. Council affirms its proud history of investment in sport and sports infrastructure; has included significant ongoing investments in its forward capital works program to support sport; and that past and current investments have seen premier competition-grade facilities delivered for the AFL, NRL/Touch Football, Cricket and Tennis codes in recent years.

3. Noting the exponential growth in football (soccer) and the need to more strategically plan for future demand and provision, Council receives a report on the development of a City-wide football (soccer) strategy with a view to future-proofing football (soccer) in Hume City. The report should include but not be limited to:

a. an analysis of participation demand and projections b. The structure of current service provision for the sport in the City c. An assessment of potential improvements in strategic planning for future provision.

4. The report has regard to similar strategies established by other municipalities including the City of Melton Soccer Strategy 2020 and Moonee Valley Soccer Strategy 2022.

5. Council consults with football (soccer) Clubs in Hume City throughout this process.

6. Council refers consideration of funding for a strategy to the forthcoming Council Budget process should a strategy not be able to be accommodated within existing budgets and resourcing.

7. Officers report to Council on the status of the following action item identified in the Hume City Council Outdoor Sports Plan (2020):

a. Action Item F24: Conduct a feasibility study on the development of synthetic and small sided pitches in Hume.

8. Officers provide a briefing to Council on its decision-making methodology for designation of sports types/codes to existing and future sites and facilities in Hume City.

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

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

CARRIED

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10.3	NOM24/03 - Cr Trevor Dance	Agenda 269

Moved Cr Trevor Dance, Seconded Cr Jodi Jackson

That:

One: Hume City Council recognises the 26th of January as being Australia Day and this is reflected in all council communications and that the Australian flag will be raised on all council owned flag poles across Hume City Council.

Two: That council prepare a report on the options available to running an Australia Day Celebration event in Sunbury for all of the community to attend.

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Sam Misho

Amendment

One: Hume City Council recognises the 26th of January as being Australia Day and this is reflected in all council communications and that the Australian flag will be raised on all Council owned flag poles at Councils main hubs and prominently across other facilities in Hume.

Two: That council prepare a report on the options available to running an Australia Day Celebration event in Sunbury and the rest of Hume for all of the community to attend. A division was requested: The result of the division was as follows:

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

Against Cr Jarrod Bell Cr Naim Kurt

CARRIED

The substantive motion was then put

That:

One: Hume City Council recognises the 26th of January as being Australia Day and this is reflected in all council communications and that the Australian flag will be raised on all Council owned flag poles at Councils main hubs and prominently across other facilities in Hume.

Two: That council prepare a report on the options available to running an Australia Day Celebration event in Sunbury and the rest of Hume for all of the community to attend.

CARRIED

Councillor Sam Misho left the meeting during discussions on *item 10.4 NOM24/04 – Cr Trevor Dance*, the time being 9:49pm.

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting during discussions on *item 10.4 NOM24/04 – Cr Trevor Dance*, the time being 9:49pm.

Councillor Jodi Jackson left the meeting during discussions on *item 10.4 NOM24/04 – Cr Trevor Dance*, the time being 9:50pm, and did note return to the meeting.

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10.4	NOM24/04 - Cr Trevor Dance	Agenda 271

Moved Cr Trevor Dance, Seconded None

That Council write to Josh Bull asking why Jacksons Hill has seen no improvement or works done to open this majestic site that is rotting away since the master plan was approved by the minster for planning and gazetted on the 8 November 2018.

LAPSED

11. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

11.1 PJL305 Petition - Janus Street Tullamarine - Street Tree Renewal Program

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

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, City Parks and Open Spaces.

CARRIED

Councillor Joseph Haweil returned to the meeting during discussions on *item 11.2 PJL306 Joint Letter - Janus Street Tullamarine - Street Tree Removal Request*, the time being 9:51pm and did not vote on item 10.4 NOM24/04 – Cr Trevor Dance or *item 11.1 PJL305 Petition - Janus Street Tullamarine - Street Tree Renewal Program*.

Councillor Sam Misho returned to the meeting during discussions on *item 11.2 PJL306 Joint Letter* - *Janus Street Tullamarine* - *Street Tree Removal Request*, the time being 9:51pm and did not vote on item 10.4 NOM24/04 – Cr Trevor Dance or *item 11.1 PJL305 Petition* - *Janus Street Tullamarine* - *Street Tree Renewal Program*.

11.2 PJL306 Joint Letter - Janus Street Tullamarine - Street Tree Removal Request.

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

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, City Parks and Open Spaces.

CARRIED

12. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

EXTENSION OF TIME

9:53pm Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Chris Hollow

Councillor Naim Kurt called for a motion that the meeting time be extended.

CARRIED

13. DELEGATES REPORTS

Councillor Joseph Haweil and Councillor Naim Kurt spoke to the delegation report – Hume City council and Merri-bek City Council visit to the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste 15-21 October 2023.

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting during the discussion of the delegates reports, the time being 9:54pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting during the discussion of the delegates reports, the time being 9:58pm.

Councillor Jim Overend left the meeting during the discussion of the delegates reports, the time being 9:59pm.

Councillor Jim Overend returned to the meeting during the discussion of the delegates reports, the time being 10:02pm.

14. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

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

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

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

9.5 Minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee Meetings of the Hume City Council held on 27 May 2022, 29 August 2022, 25 November 2022, 24 February 2023, 26 May 2023, 28 September 2023 and 24 November 2023

Attachments 1 and 2 of item 9.5 is confidential in accordance with Section 66(2)(a.) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is confidential meeting information, being the records of meetings closed to the public.

14.1 Contract - Municipal Association of Victoria Procurement - Provision of Storage and Imaging Services - RFT No RM7813-2023

Item 14.1 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(a) and (g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released, and 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 the report contains information related to contractual matters.

14.2 Request for Financial Incentive- AFL Max

Item 14.2 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(e.) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is proposed developments.

14.3 Contract - End User Computing Equipment (DPC-SPC-01-2018)

Item 14.3 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(d.) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is contractual matters.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 10:03pm

The meeting was not reopened to the public.

Councillor Carly Moore left the meeting before the commencement of the Confidential Meeting, the time being 10:03pm and did not return.

16. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10:07pm