

HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes Council Meeting

Monday, 14 September 2026 at 7:00pm

**Council Chamber - Hume Global Learning Centre
Broadmeadows**

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

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COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL

held on Monday, 14 September 2026

at 7:04pm

at the Council Chamber - Hume Global Learning Centre Broadmeadows

Attendees:	a: Council	Cr. Carly Moore	Mayor
		Cr. Ally Watson	Deputy Mayor
		Cr. Jarrod Bell	
		Cr. Steve Gagen (Online)	
		Cr. John Haddad	
		Cr. Kate Hamley (Online)	
		Cr. Naim Kurt	
		Cr. Sam Misho	
		Cr. Jim Overend	
	b: Officers	Ms Sheena Frost	Chief Executive Officer
		Ms. Kristen Cherry	Director City Services & Living
		Ms Rachel Dapiran	Director Planning, Places & Delivery
		Ms Ann-Michel Greenwood	Director People, Customer & Communication
		Mr Matthew Irving	Director Assets, Operations & Sustainability
		Mr Fadi Srouf	Director Organisational Performance
		Ms Holly De Kretser	Manager Governance & Property
		Ms Jane Zahra	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 ancestors have been Owners for many thousands of years. The Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung, which includes existing family members of the Gunung-Willam-Balluk clan, are the Traditional Owners of this land. Hume City Council would like to pay respect to the existing family members of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung. Hume City Council would like to pay its respects to their Elders, past and present, and 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 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 Ibrahim Karaisli, from the Muslim community, on behalf of the HIN.

The faith leader read the meeting prayer.

3. APOLOGIES

Councillor Naim Kurt arrived at the meeting, the time being 7:10pm.

Cr Daniel English and Cr Karen Sherry were apologies for the meeting.

Cr Steve Gagen and Cr Kate Hamley attended the meeting online in accordance with Council's Governance rules.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Mayor read the following:

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

Nil

5. CONGRATULATIONS AND CONDOLENCES**CNM420****CONDOLENCE MOTION – NEPAL FLOODS**

Moved Cr Ally Watson, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council acknowledges the tragic events that occurred in Nepal and extends our deepest condolences to the Nepalese community and all those affected.

CARRIED

CGM157**CONGRATULATIONS MOTION – UPFIELD SOCCER CLUB**

Moved Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council congratulate the Upfield Soccer Club on their win on Saturday and securing a promotion to the Victorian Premier League 2.

CARRIED

CGM158 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION – JIN WOODMAN

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Ally Watson

That Council congratulate Jin Woodman and his partner Sam Schroder on winning the Quad Doubles title at the 2026 US Open.

CARRIED

CGM159 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION – VICTORIA STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITMENT TO UPGRADE SOMERTON ROAD

Councillor Jim Overend declared a conflict of Interest as he is candidate for the liberal party and left the meeting, the time being 7:20pm.

Moved Cr Steve Gagen, **Seconded** Cr Naim Kurt

That Council congratulate the Victoria State Government on their commitment to upgrade Somerton Road.

CARRIED

Councillor Jim Overend returned to the meeting and did not vote, the time being 7:22pm.

CGM160 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - WESTY FOOTBALL CLUB

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council congratulate the Westmeadows Football Club on breaking a 42 premierships drought for the senior men's side.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 August 2026.

Moved Cr Ally Watson, **Seconded** Cr Steve Gagen

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 August 2026, be confirmed.

CARRIED

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**PQ1463 PUBLIC QUESTION – RAHAB MOUSSI**

When will the Upfield soccer club receive their much needed and long-awaited upgrade for their facilities.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & LIVING

Council is currently progressing two important projects at Gibb Reserve.

A new portable change room facility is expected to be delivered by March 2027, providing an important upgrade for users of the reserve, including Upfield Soccer Club. In addition, the Gibb Reserve Master Plan will commence in October 2026. The Master Plan will guide future improvements and investment at the reserve.

Together, these projects will support the immediate and long-term development of the facilities for both the club and the broader community.

PQ1464 PUBLIC QUESTION – NICK TRIPKOS

With the large population growth in the northern region of Hume City in suburbs like Craigieburn, Greenvale, Kalkallo and Mickleham and the high volume of illegal dumping in these new housing estates is Hume council looking at opening another Resource Recovery Centre in the northern part of Hume? If so when? If not is council working on opening another Resource Recovery Centre in the northern region?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR ASSETS, OPERATIONS & SUSTAINABILITY

There are currently no immediate plans to open a new transfer station in the northern part of the municipality.

Council's Waste Strategy identifies an action to review Resource Recovery Centre locations and services. This work is underway and will inform the next iteration of the strategy. With Council resuming operational responsibility for both the Sunbury and Bolinda Road sites, the current focus is on reviewing and improving these facilities so they operate as effectively as possible.

PQ1465 PUBLIC QUESTION – DANIEL

As a regular user of the Sunbury and Bolinda Rd Resource Recovery Centres. On my recent visit I was informed that council isn't accepting Grass clippings, leaves, weeds, garden clippings hedging from plants or even flowers anymore as (green waste). I wasn't told by the staff on the weighbridge only by the workers that direct you to unload your items. Staff are telling residents and other users of these facility's to dump it into general waste piles, when asked they informed me that the decision has come from council's waste management team and were told at a monthly toolbox meeting.

Been told that management only want (hard prunings) like tree branches moving forward, which will be classed as green waste, with the reason been all other garden clippings (green waste) are to soft to be mulched in the mulcher, and clean timber isn't separate in its own area anymore it's also mixed into general waste piles and sent to landfill.

For a council that prides themselves in sustainability and a Circular Economy this isn't that. Why was this decision made?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR ASSETS, OPERATIONS & SUSTAINABILITY

Thank you for your question.

Council's published criteria do not exclude all grass clippings, leaves, weeds, flowers or general garden clippings from the green-waste stream. They exclude specific materials, including roses and other thorny or difficult-to-process plants, oversized branches, timber and contaminated loads, which are treated as mixed waste.

Council is reviewing the advice provided at both Resource Recovery Centres to ensure it is consistent with our contractor's processing requirements and the information published on our website. Council remains committed to improving resource recovery and identifying more sustainable alternatives to landfill.

PQ1466 PUBLIC QUESTION – MICHELLE FORDE

Earlier this year I had asked about the fair share of rates and resources. As our counsellors are saying, Sunbury is owed rents and resources for funding Craigieburn and that's why we are being kept in Hume. This doesn't sound fair to me. Your last answer included city wide. I don't want to know city wide. I want to know for the capital projects allocated to a specific suburb in the budget what percentage exactly has gone to each suburb over the past ten years. Please list the percentage of capital spend projects exactly for each suburb for each year for the last ten years excluding citywide projects and include this year. Only the projects set aside for each suburb.

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE

As the information request requires us to go back 10 years, officers will take this question on notice and provide a response at the next council meeting.

PQ1467 PUBLIC QUESTION – ASMA MOHAMED

If the data centre is built, what would the impact be on residents? Including, environmental, electrical and water usage for residents and employment opportunities?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR PLANNING, PLACES & DELIVERY

Thank you for your question. Council shares the community's concerns around the environmental, social and economic impact of the proposed data centre development at the Assembly site in Barry Road. At its meeting on 24 August 2026 Council resolved to write to the State Government calling for a moratorium on approvals for new data centres and expansions of existing data centres while the government undertakes comprehensive public hearings and seeks evidence from key bodies to better understand these impacts and formulate a regulatory framework.

PQ1468 PUBLIC QUESTION – ASMA MOHAMED

In the situation that the State does not agree to create a proper statewide regulatory framework and the Campbellfield data centre receives direct state approved (like what happened in Craigieburn) what is the Council's plan? What power does your office have to reject or amend the proposed plan?

RESPONSE: DIRECTOR PLANNING, PLACES & DELIVERY

Thank you for your question. Council has no right to appeal a decision made by the State Government under the Development Facilitation Program.

8. OFFICERS' REPORTS

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.1	State Proposal for Mickleham Road and Craigieburn West Infrastructure Contributions Plan Funding	8
	Moved Cr Steve Gagen, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt	
	That Council:	
2.1	Endorse the Victorian Infrastructure Delivery Authority's (VIDA) request for Craigieburn West Infrastructure Contributions Plan (ICP) funding for the delivery of the 2 ICP funded intersections.	

- 2.2 Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into the attached Intergovernmental Works Agreement (IWA) which outlines the cost and timing of payments.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.2	Joint Council Meeting for the Regional Partnership and Cloverton Metropolitan Activity Centre	14

Moved Cr Ally Watson, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

That Council:

- 2.1 Under Section 62 of the *Local Government Act 2020*, hold and participate in a joint meeting of the Hume City Council, Whittlesea City Council and Mitchell Shire Council on 7 October 2026 at 7pm;
- 2.2 Note should the start time of the joint council meeting be amended, public notice via Council's website will be provided at least 7 days prior to the meeting;
- 2.3 Endorse the purpose of the joint council meeting to discuss the strategic importance of Cloverton as a Metropolitan Activity Centre to all three councils and endorse advocacy goals;
- 2.4 Endorse the terms of reference for the joint council meeting (Attachment 1);
- 2.5 Endorse the joint council meeting:
- 2.5.1 Being held at Hume City Council chambers;
- 2.5.2 Using the governance rules of Whittlesea City Council;
- 2.5.3 Being chaired by the Mayor of Mitchell Shire Council; and
- 2.6 Nominate two additional representatives (Cr Watson and Cr Bell) of the Hume City Council to participate in the joint Council Meeting together with the Mayor.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.3	Update to Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff	20

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Ally Watson

- 2.1 THAT Council's existing *Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff*, which was adopted on 23 February 2026, be revoked.

- 2.2 THAT Council approves the signing and sealing of the attached *Instrument of Delegation to Members of Council Staff* (Attachment 1).**

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.4	Governance Rules Review (Community Consultation Results)	139

Moved Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Ally Watson

2.1 That Council:

- 2.1.1 adopts the Governance Rules (Attachment 1) to take effect on 1 October 2026;**
- 2.1.2 adopts the Council Meeting Public Participation Policy (Attachment 2), subject to the deadline for submission of public questions being amended from 5:00pm on the Friday preceding a Council meeting to 9:00am on the Monday of the Council meeting, to take effect on 1 October 2026;**
- 2.1.3 revokes the Recording of Council Meetings Policy (Attachment 3) on 30 September 2026.**

Councillor Jarrod Bell left the meeting during item Governance Rules Review (Community Consultation Results), the time being 8:20pm.

Councillor Jarrod Bell returned to the meeting during item Governance Rules Review (Community Consultation Results), the time being 8:22pm.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.5	Response to NOM25/60 - Tackling Youth Crime in Hume	203

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

That Council:

- 2.1 Notes the information provided in this report in response to the recommendations outlined in NOM25/60.**
- 2.2 Notes that the development of a Community Safety Plan is included as an action in the 2026/27 Council Annual Action Plan (CAAP).**
- 2.3 Notes that the CCTV Policy review will be completed and presented to Council by 22 February 2027**

CARRIED

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8.6	Contract No. 30 26 3715 - Supply, Installation and Storage of Municipal Christmas Decorations	209
	Moved Cr Ally Watson, Seconded Cr Sam Misho	
	That Council	
	2.1 Resolves to award contract number Contract No. 30 26 3715 for Supply, Installation and Storage of Municipal Christmas Decorations to Decona Pty Ltd trading as Christmas Display Solutions.	
	2.2 Awards the contract at the attached tendered schedule of rates (inc. GST).	
	2.3 Authorises CPI adjustments in accordance with the conditions of contract.	
	2.4 Awards the contract for a term of three (3) years with extension options of two 12-month periods.	
	2.5 Authorises for variations to be managed in accordance with the confidential attachment.	
	2.6 Delegates to the Director City Services and Living to finalise and execute the contract documentation.	
	2.7 Delegates to the Director City Services and Living the powers to review and exercise the extension options. The use of this authority is to be reported to Council within 3 months.	
	2.8 Requests officers investigate and report back to Council on opportunities to supplement Council's municipal Christmas decoration program from 2027 through community-led initiatives, including community-designed decorations, local artist installations, school and community group participation, and place-based festive activations.	

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.7	Contract No. 30 26 3730 - Hudson Circuit, Meadow Heights Road Reconstruction between Papworth Place and Malmsbury Drive	214
	Moved Cr John Haddad, Seconded Cr Sam Misho	
	That Council	
	2.1 Resolves to award Contract No. 30 26 3730 - Hudson Circuit, Meadow Heights Road Reconstruction between Papworth Place and Malmsbury Drive	

- 2.2 Awards the contract to New Horizon Construction Pty Ltd for the total tendered contract price of \$1,825,717.53 (incl. GST).
- 2.3 Approves a contingency sum to the value (excl. GST) contained within the confidential attachment.
- 2.4 Approves additional funding requirements, as detailed in confidential attachment one to complete construction works.
- 2.5 Authorises for Variations to be managed in accordance with the confidential attachment one
- 2.6 Delegates to the Director, Planning Places and Delivery City Plan & Places to finalise and execute the contract documentation.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.8	Contract No. 30 26 3782 - Supply and Delivery of Side Loading Waste Collection Trucks	219

Moved Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Steve Gagen

2.1 That Council:

- 2.1.1 Resolves to award Contract No. 30 26 3782 – Supply and delivery of fourteen (14) Side Loading Waste Collection Trucks to Bucher Municipal Pty Ltd.
- 2.1.2 Awards the contract for the lump sum price of \$9,016,259.98 (incl. GST).
- 2.1.3 Authorises CPI adjustments in accordance with the conditions of contract.
- 2.1.4 Delegates to the Director Assets, Operations and Sustainability to finalise and execute the contract documentation.

Councillor Kate Hamley left the meeting during item Contract No. 30 26 3782 - Supply and Delivery of Side Loading Waste Collection Trucks, the time being 8:35pm.

Councillor Kate Hamley returned to the meeting during item Contract No. 30 26 3782 - Supply and Delivery of Side Loading Waste Collection Trucks, the time being 8:37pm.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.9	Audit and Risk Committee - Biannual Audit and Risk Report 1 January to 30 June 2026	225

Moved Cr Sam Misho, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council notes the Audit and Risk Committee's Biannual Audit and Risk Report (Attachment 1) for the period 1 January to 30 June 2026.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
8.10	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes - 29 May 2026	234

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

THAT Council notes the confirmed minutes of Hume City Council's Audit and Risk Committee meeting which was held on 29 May 2026.

Councillor Steve Gagen left the meeting during item Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes - 29 May 2026, the time being 8:44pm.

Councillor Steve Gagen returned to the meeting during item Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes - 29 May 2026, the time being 8:45pm.

Councillor Steve Gagen left the meeting during item Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes - 29 May 2026, the time being 8:45pm.
Councillor Steve Gagen returned to the meeting, the time being 8:45pm.

Councillor Steve Gagen left the meeting during item Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes - 29 May 2026, the time being 8:45pm.
Councillor Steve Gagen returned to the meeting, the time being 8:46pm.

CARRIED

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
9.1	NOM26/31 - Cr Jarrod Bell - Sunbury Road Upgrade	245

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Kate Hamley

That Council:

- 2.1 Notes the strong community support demonstrated for the duplication of Sunbury Road between Bulla-Diggers Rest Road and Melbourne Airport including the commitment of residents to sign up to Council's advocacy campaign.**
- 2.2 Reaffirms the duplication of Sunbury Road between Bulla-Diggers Rest Road and Melbourne Airport as a priority advocacy project for Council.**
- 2.3 Writes to the Minister for Roads and Road Safety including:**
 - 2.3.1 Seeking an urgent commitment of funding to deliver the full duplication of Sunbury Road between Bulla-Diggers Rest Road and Melbourne**

- Airport, and provide a copy of the correspondence to the State Member for Sunbury to seek their advocacy support for the project and
- 2.3.2 Inviting both the Minister and State Member to meet with the Mayor and local residents on the corner of Sunbury Road and Oaklands Road to see firsthand the impacts of the road not being duplicated.
- 2.4 Writes to the Shadow Minister for Roads and Road Safety including:
- 2.4.1 Seeking an urgent commitment of funding to deliver the full duplication of Sunbury Road between Bulla-Diggers Rest Road and Melbourne Airport and provide a copy of the correspondence to the State Liberal Member for Western Metropolitan Region and Liberal Candidate for Sunbury to seek their advocacy support for the project and
- 2.4.2 Inviting the Shadow Minister, Liberal Candidate for Sunbury and Liberal Member for Western Metropolitan Region to meet with the Mayor and local residents on the corner of Sunbury Road and Oaklands Road to see firsthand the impacts of the road not being duplicated.

CARRIED

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9.2	NOM26/32 - Cr Naim Kurt - Litter & Dumping Performance Scorecard	247

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

That Council:

- 2.1 Requests officers prepare a scorecard report outlining Council's illegal dumping response activities and performance, including, at a minimum:
- 2.1.1 The number of illegal dumping incidents reported to or identified by Council;
- 2.1.2 The number of infringement notices issued, prosecutions commenced, and penalties imposed in relation to illegal dumping offences;
- 2.1.3 The volume and types of illegally dumped waste collected or removed by Council;
- 2.1.4 The costs incurred by Council in collecting, removing and disposing of illegally dumped waste;
- 2.1.5 Any other relevant data, metrics, trends, hotspots or information available to Council that could include waste education undertaken, waste

response team performance, dumped rubbish report wait times, that could assist in understanding the scale, impact and effectiveness of Council's illegal dumping response activities.

- 2.2 Establishes a quarterly Illegal Dumping Performance Scorecard to Council, providing ongoing updates on illegal dumping trends, enforcement outcomes, costs and operational performance across the municipality.**

CARRIED

10. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

Nil

11. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

12. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Bell provided a delegates report on his recent attendance at the 2 day ALGA National Roads & Infrastructure Congress

13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed to the public at 9:07pm.