



**COUNCIL MEETING OF
THE HUME CITY COUNCIL**

MONDAY, 8 MAY 2023

7:00PM

TOWN HALL BROADMEADOWS

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HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL
held on Monday, 8 May 2023
at 7:02PM
at the Town Hall Broadmeadows

Attendees: a: Council

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

b: Officers

Ms Sheena Frost	Chief Executive Officer
Ms Rachel Dapiran	Director City Planning and Places
Ms Anne Malia	Acting Director City Services & Living
Mr Adam McSwain	Director Infrastructure and Assets
Mr Carl Muller	Director Customer & Strategy
Mr Fadi Srour	Chief Financial Officer
Mr Peter Faull	Acting Manager Governance
Ms Joanne Grindrod	Senior Governance Officer

Proceedings to be Recorded

The Mayor reminded Councillors and members of the Gallery that an audio 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 reminded the gallery that Council's Governance Rules requires the gallery to be silent at all times, and that members of the gallery must not interject or take part in the debate. Any person who is called to order, may be asked to leave the Chamber. The Mayor advised that notwithstanding this, they will invite members of the gallery to speak, for up to three minutes either in support of or against an officer's recommendation.

ORDER OF BUSINESS**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

The Mayor read the following:

"Hume City Council would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Country for which the members and Elders of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people and their forebears have been custodians for many thousands of years.

The Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung, which includes the Gunung-Willam-Balluk clan, are the Traditional Custodians of this land. We 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 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 Revered Dr. Satvasheela Pandhare, from the Anglican community, on behalf of the HIN.

Reverend Dr. Satvasheela Pandhare read the following:

Greetings to you all in the precious name of the lord and saviour Jesus Christ.

Thank you for having me here to lead the devotion this evening. I am reading from the New Testament, First Timothy chapter 4 a select verses.

St. Paul, who established many churches in the first century, advised his companion and fellow worker, Timothy, in the following words:

Go into training in godliness! Physical exercise is good, but it has limited usefulness. Godliness is useful in every way. It carries the promise of life both now and in the future. Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young but be an example to the people in what you say and how you behave - in love, faith and devotion. Don't neglect the gift that is in you.

We can see how Paul gave confidence to Timothy, who was a young leader. It may not perhaps apply to all of us in this room, because some of us here are very experienced people here, but when it comes to leading the community, let us accept, that we all feel vulnerable, because we are not sure, whether or not our ideas and plannings will be well-received.

Exactly at this point, let us be reminded that we all have a special gift, and we must use it fully without any doubt in mind. We must continue to reflect God's love through our actions, as we lead God's people, and always keep justice at the centre of our mission. May God bless us all.

Let us look to God in 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 for 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 to you. We ask this in the precious name of our lord and saviour Jesus Christ.

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.

Cr Carly Moore declared a conflict of interest in relation to confidential item 13.1, Contract - Athletics Track Upgrade - Eric Boardman Reserve, being a close association with one of the businesses that have submitted a tender as they are Cr Moore's employer.

5. CONGRATULATIONS & CONDOLENCES**CNM380 CONDOLENCE MOTION - FATHER BOB MCGUIRE**

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Karen Sherry

That Council notes the passing of Father Bob McGuire.

CARRIED

CGM27 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - FR MAHIR MOURAD - ORDINATION

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

That Council congratulates Fr Mahir Jemil Mourad for his pastoral ordination on 14 April 2023.

CARRIED

CGM28 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - KING CHARLES III

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

That this Council acknowledges and congratulates His Majesty King Charles III, on the occasion of his coronation over the weekend, and that under the Mayor's signature write to His Majesty expressing the same.

CARRIED

CGM29 CONGRATULATIONS MOTION - SUNBURY ART SHOW

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

That Council writes to and congratulates the President and members of the Sunbury Art Society on an outstanding 36th Annual Sunbury Art Show.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting of 11 April 2023, including Confidential Minutes.

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

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11 April 2023, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**PQ965 PUBLIC QUESTION - KERYN WELLS**

With the Mt. Holden Walking Track being built, (<https://www.hume.vic.gov.au/Your-Council/Projects-and-Works>) and the upgrade and increased power of the mobile phone towers, both in capacity and distance, will the Council respond to the letter to David Foto dated 27th March 2023 from Site Logic (Site Reference: Mount Holden CMTS 27503)

Response: Director City Planning and Places

The letter referred to from Site Logic informs Council works are being undertaken that do not require approval from Council.

Council's Statutory Planning team has reviewed this and confirmed no planning permit is required for the works.

As such, no further action has been taken, as Council does not determine if the proposal should occur. Council would only reply to such correspondence if there was doubt about the exemption's claimed or if further information was required.

PQ966 PUBLIC QUESTION - KERYN WELLS

In relation to the above will Council oppose the proposed changes to ensure rates payers are protected from increased RF waves?

Response – Director City Planning and Places

As per the above answer, Council does not have a role in determining if the works proceed.

PQ967 PUBLIC QUESTION - SUZY ROBERTS

I commend Council & Councillors for their heartfelt congratulations on the 50th Anniversary for Rotary Australia at the last Council Meeting of 11th of April.

This question is especially for the Labor Councillors who are aware of Gough Whitlam passing through Federal Parliament in 1973, The Royal Styles and Titles Act. Of course this year, it's the 50th Anniversary.

Are and Councillors or the Hume CC planning for 2023, a celebration of the golden jubilee of the Royal Styles and Titles Act and the subsequent creation of the Queen of Australia as the Queen's representative in Australia?

Response: Director Customer and Strategy

The Royal Styles and Titles Act was repealed in 1973 and there are no plans to celebrate it.

PQ968 PUBLIC QUESTION - GREG PERKINS

This question relates to EMF readings taken outside restaurants in Hume.

Does the Council protect the financial interests of ratepayers by ensuring the Council owned footpaths that are leased to cafes, restaurants etc. throughout Hume are safe from high levels of radio frequency waves from mobile phone towers?

Response: Director City Planning and Places

The operation of mobile phone towers in Australia is governed by the Telecommunications Act 1997 which is Commonwealth legislation.

PQ969 PUBLIC QUESTION - GREG PERKINS

And again, as per the above, are HCC protecting ratepayers' and employees' health by doing due diligence?

Response: Director City Planning and Places

Council moderates the use and development of land within its municipality by assessing proposals against the provisions contained within the Hume Planning Scheme. The Planning Scheme is created under the provisions of the Planning & Environment Act 1987 and applies to all private land within Victoria.

Clause 52.19-1 of the Hume Planning Scheme (Telecommunications Facility) requires a planning permit for buildings and works for a telecommunications facility, unless it meets one of the several exemptions, including uses/works listed in the Telecommunications Act 1997, facilitates under a certain size, like for like replacement or to provide additional coverage

during maintenance of an existing facility. If an exemption from the need to obtain a planning permit is satisfied, Council is not required to authorise the location of the Telecommunication facility in question.

PQ970 PUBLIC QUESTION - JACINTA BARBETTI

Who will be responsible if one or more of the inspection bores in the proposed subdivision requires action/investigation/evacuation of buildings on what was the buffer land?

Response: Director City Planning and Places

The monitoring of groundwater via the existing bore holes on the land at 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows is the responsibility of Transpacific Industries Group Ltd (now known as Cleanaway Waste Management Ltd).

The responsibility of the infrastructure falls on Cleanaway and the new landowner, who would need to comply with the requirements of the *Environment Protection Act 2017*.

As part of the council submission, we have requested that if the proposal is approved, that it includes a mechanism that provides a more transparent disclosure of monitoring obligations to future landowners as well as the specific requirements relating to the access, replacement or relocation of monitoring bores should this be required in the future.

PQ971 PUBLIC QUESTION - JACINTA BARBETTI

Will it be the building owners, Hume Council & therefore Hume ratepayers, State Government, MAB, EPA or Cleanaway?

Response: Director City Planning and Places

The responsibility of the infrastructure falls on Cleanaway and the new landowner, which would be private landowners on industrial lots and Hume City Council on public land.

It is understood that all compliance actions associated with the bores is the responsibility of the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) as the regulatory authority.

PQ972 PUBLIC QUESTION - PETER BARBETTI

Have council officers directly contacted Vic Roads as to current mitigation works required for Mickleham Rd associated with this planned development that includes the 3rd of the Buffer land that is not included in this rezoning. This 3rd will most likely also be developed in a similar manner to the MAB re zoning request. Vic Roads mitigation submitted by IMPACT for MAB is nearly 10 years old. Part of the mitigation works was for 2 left lanes from Mickleham Rd to be able to enter the freeway.

This work occurred several years ago and now Mickleham Rd is at a standstill from Gladstone Park Dr to Western Ave in peak periods.

Response: Director City Planning and Places

The current proposal for the land at 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows (owned by MAB Corporation) is being assessed by the State Government through the Development Facilitation Program.

Council officers have not formally consulted with the Department of Transport and Planning on the current proposal as Hume City Council is not the planning authority or the responsible authority and therefore has no decision-making powers.

State Government is currently undertaking consultation on the proposal, and we encourage the community to make a submission or raise any questions with the Development Facilitation Program directly – we can provide their contact details.

As part of the council submission on this proposal, we have asked that the planning permit include all works proposed to mitigate traffic from the current proposal if approved.

Council has not received a request to rezone the balance of the buffer land that is not included in the current proposal at 47-67 and 69-99 Wright Street, Westmeadows. Should this occur, Council would engage with relevant stakeholders at this time.

Should a subsequent proposal for the balance of the buffer be assessed by State Government, we would request that Council is consulted on any additional traffic mitigation works that would be required at that time.

PQ973 PUBLIC QUESTION - REBECCA TURNER-KUZUCU

Can something please be done about the amount of off leash dogs in Westmeadows?

Every day I see 3-6 off leash dogs in Westmeadows (on leash only areas). My dog has been attacked twice and aggressively approached eleven times. I can't walk my dog anymore. The last time I walked him, an off-leash dog ran up to him to attack him and was hit by a car before he could reach him. Fines must be given for this behaviour. The dogs do not have any recall training and the owners don't seem to care. This can lead to dogs attacking other dogs, children, wildlife and the elderly along with the risk of them hitting a car. This has been getting worse over the last 2 years.

I believe signs need to be put up on the streets listing the penalty for off leash dogs and fines should be issued before someone gets seriously hurt.

Response: Act Director City Services and Living.

Officers are sorry to hear that your dog has been attacked twice, and aggressively approached when in the Westmeadows area. Council takes these incidents seriously and does regularly issue fines and prosecute matters in relation to dog attacks and other dog-related offences.

While Council animal management officers do undertake patrols to ensure dogs are kept on-lead when in public places, Council also relies on community members reporting areas of concern so that we can target these activities.

In response to your concerns, we have scheduled additional patrols of the Westmeadows area in the months ahead.

It is also vitally important that dog attacks are reported to Council so that these can be investigated and enforced. If you have not already discussed the previous attacks on your dog with a Council Animal Management Officer, you are encouraged to do so by contacting us on 9205 2200.

Within Hume, all public places are on leash unless they are signed as designated off-leash or prohibited areas. The signage outlines the area within parks dogs are allowed off-leash and the rules that apply to responsible dog ownership and management.

In 2022 on leash signage was installed at key locations where dogs were frequently observed by Officers. In Westmeadows this included the areas outside the off-leash areas at

Westmeadows Reserve and Willowbrook Reserve. Signage was also added at Hillcrest Reserve.

PQ974 PUBLIC QUESTION - STEPHEN KING

I am led to believe that the Sunbury landfill amongst other sites have a huge problem with methane and carbon dioxide emissions, hence the OH&S closure at the Sunbury site. What are council plans to alleviate these alleged issues and when do you anticipate the reopening of the site to the public?

Response: Director Infrastructure and Assets

The Sunbury Landfill and Resource Recovery Centre reopened to the public on Thursday 27 April 2023.

The facility was closed from 24 March as the contractor onsite highlighted concerns around the operational safety of the site, due to a crack in the concrete. The facility was closed whilst Council officers arranged structural and geotechnical engineering assessments to be undertaken to ensure the safety of staff, contractors, and the public.

Sunbury Landfill and Resource Recovery Centre has an operating landfill, operated under EPA licence and in accordance with the auditor verified Environmental Management Plan (EMP). The EMP outlines monitoring requirements and Council engages an appropriately qualified environmental consultancy firm to conduct the required monitoring, which includes landfill gas monitoring.

As the site includes an active landfill site, it is expected that surface emissions of methane will be detected, and Officers promptly investigate areas that report methane exceedances and remediates those areas to ensure that all standards are met.

PQ975 PUBLIC QUESTION - ZAFARIA VAN ZANDBEEK

This question relates to open air burning provisions in the draft local law that has been advertised recently for consultation.

With an investigation, acceptance and understanding of how such fires and their smoke adversely affects human health as well as threaten fire risk hazards to other properties, will the council remove these exceptions or at least review and amend the local law to resolve the above-mentioned concerns?

Response: Act Director City Services and Living

Provisions included in the local law pertaining to open-air burning on private property were designed with the intent of balancing enjoyment benefits of appropriately contained and managed fires – such as a source for cooking, warmth, and cultural practice - with health, safety, environmental and nuisance concerns.

The draft local law is to be considered by Councillors for final adoption and making on 22 May 2023. As part of the adoption process, Councillors consider feedback provided during the public exhibition period – including feedback provided from residents in relation to open air burning.

As with all policies and programs delivered by Council, the local law will be carefully monitored and reviewed once enacted.

8. OFFICER'S REPORTS

The Mayor proposed that report 8.2 Draft Amendment C269 - 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows - Development Facilitation Program Submission will be moved to the first item to be considered due to public interest and the large number of public in attendance wishing to speak to the report.

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8.2	Draft Amendment C269 - 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows - Development Facilitation Program Submission	121

The Chief Executive Officer read a public comment from John Kavanagh on *item 8.2 Draft Amendment C269 - 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows - Development Facilitation Program Submission*

The following members of the gallery addressed the meeting on *item 8.2 Draft Amendment C269 - 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows - Development Facilitation Program Submission*: Cheryl Koutzas, Kaylene Wilson, Cherine Fielder, Graeme Pollock and Helen Van den berg.

Councillor Sam Misho left the meeting during discussion on *item 8.2 Draft Amendment C269 - 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows - Development Facilitation Program Submission*, the time being 7:56pm.

Councillor Sam Misho returned to the meeting during discussion on *item 8.2 Draft Amendment C269 - 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows - Development Facilitation Program Submission*, the time being 8:00pm.

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Chris Hollow

That Council:

- 2.1 forwards the submission objecting to the proposal attached to this report to the Development Facilitation Program for Draft Amendment C269 to the Hume Planning Scheme and draft planning permits PA2302140, PA2302142 and PA2302143 for land at 140-204 Western Avenue, Westmeadows; and
- 2.2 if required, authorise Council officers to represent Council at a Priority Projects Standing Advisory Committee (PPSAC).

CARRIED

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8.1	Proposed Annual Budget 2023/24 and proposed updated Revenue and Rating Plan 2023/24	5

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

- 2.1 That Council adopts for the purpose of public exhibition:
 - 2.1.1 The Proposed Budget 2023/24 (Budget) as a draft of the budget prepared for the purpose of Section 94 of the Act; and
 - 2.1.2 The updated Revenue and Rating Plan 2023/24 (Revenue and Rating Plan).
- 2.2 That having considered the details of the 2023/24 recurrent and capital budget appended to this report, which includes:
 - 2.2.1 Section 1 – Link to the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework
 - 2.2.2 Section 2 – Services and service performance indicators
 - 2.2.3 Section 3 – Financial statements
 - 2.2.4 Section 4 – Notes to the financial statements
 - 2.2.5 Section 5 – Financial performance indicators
 - 2.2.6 Section 6 – Schedule of fees and charges
 - 2.2.7 That the proposed recurrent and capital budget for 2023/24 be the Proposed Annual Budget 2023/24 (Budget) prepared for the purposes of Section 94 of the Act.
- 2.3 That, in relation to the capital works program, the expenditure provided for in each line item is the forecast or projected amount that Council will expend. On occasions the actual amount expended could be greater or less than the expenditure provided for. Because each line item is part of a class of expenditure being forecast or projected, Council intends that the expenditure authorised through the adoption of the Budget will be the totality of expenditure by class (regardless of whether, in respect of any particular project, the actual amount expended exceeds or is less than the expenditure that is shown).
- 2.4 That in accordance with Section 158 of the 1989 Act, Council proposes to declare a General Rate of 0.23143 cents in the dollar of the Capital Improved Value within the municipal district for all rateable land for the rating period commencing 1 July 2023 and ending 30 June 2024.
- 2.5 That Council notes that the General Rate of 0.23143 cents in the dollar of the Capital Improved Value as noted in 2.4 is subject to confirmation from the Valuer General of Victoria of the valuations within Hume and the issuance of a Certificate 7A in accordance with the *Valuation of Land Act 1960*. Should valuations change, there will be a requirement to amend the General Rate in the dollar. However, this will have no impact on total rates revenue raised.
- 2.6 That Council proposes that all general rates for rateable land be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value of the rateable land by the relevant General Rate indicated at 2.4 above.
- 2.7 That for the 2023/24 financial year, the Primary Producer Rate Rebate will continue to be offered to landholders outside the urban growth zone which will be calculated at 30% of the General Rate. The eligibility criteria for the Primary Producer Rate Rebate is similar to that under the Agricultural Land Use Rebate however there is a requirement on landholders to prove to Council that they are trying to operate an agricultural business from their agricultural activity.
- 2.8 That Council grants an additional pensioner rate rebate of \$40.00 per rateable property to those applicants who qualify for a rate rebate within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004* over and above that

- provided by the State Government. This rebate is to be granted on the same terms and conditions that provides for the State Government funded rebate without separate application in accordance with Section 171 of the 1989 Act.
- 2.9 That for the rating period commencing 1 July 2023 and ending 30 June 2024 and in accordance with Section 162 of the 1989 Act Council also proposes to declare:
- 2.9.1 A Public Waste Service Rate of 0.0302357 cents in the dollar which will apply to commercial and industrial properties, excluding non-rateable properties subject to confirmation of property valuations from the Valuer General of Victoria.
- (a) That Council notes that the Service Rate in 2.9.1 is subject to confirmation from the Valuer General of Victoria of the valuations within Hume and the issuance of a Certificate 7A in accordance with the Valuation of Land Act 1960. Should valuations change, there will be a requirement to amend the Service Rate in the dollar. However, this will have no impact on total Services Rate revenue raised.
- (b) The amount payable will be determined by multiplying the CIV by the Service Rate of 0.0302357 cents in the dollar as indicated at 2.9.1 above.
- 2.9.2 A Public Waste Service Charge of \$200.35 for residential properties.
- 2.9.3 A Public Waste Service charge of \$150.35 for pensioners residential properties which reflects a fee that is \$50 less than the standard residential Public Waste Service Charge.
- 2.9.4 The classification of residential properties will be based on the zoning and current use in accordance with State Government Valuation Best Practice Specification Guidelines which contain the Australian Valuation Property Classification Codes (AVPCC) established by the Valuer General. Therefore, non-residential will be all other properties not defined as residential.
- 2.9.5 A kerbside waste service charge of \$295.74 to residential and non-residential properties, where Council is able to provide a kerbside waste service.
- 2.9.6 Non-rateable properties who elect to receive a kerbside waste service will continue to pay for the service in accordance with the fees outlined in Council's budget.
- 2.10 That in accordance with Section 167 (1) of the 1989 Act, the general rates and service charges be payable in four instalments. The gazetted instalment dates as fixed by the Minister are as follows: 30 September 2023, 30 November 2023, 29 February 2024 and 31 May 2024.
- 2.11 That in accordance with Section 167 (2A) of the 1989 Act, Council will not be offering the lump sum payment option.
- 2.12 That the setting of the maximum interest rate for unpaid rates and charges will be in accordance with the Local Government Legislation Amendment (Rating and Other Matters) Act 2022. The Minister for Local Government must fix a maximum rate of interest that councils may charge on unpaid rates and charges. The legislation takes effect on 20 June 2023. Until a new interest rate is set by the Minister for Local

Government, the current interest rate as set by the Attorney-General via the Penalty Interest Rate Act 1983 continues to apply under s.172(2) of the 1989 Act. The current interest rate is set at 10 per cent and will apply for the 2023/24 financial year.

- 2.13 That in accordance with Section 162 of the 1989 Act, Council proposes to declare annual service rates and charges for the disposal of refuse per collection services for rateable properties for the period commencing 1 July 2023 and ending 30 June 2024; where each occupied serviced rateable property is entitled to one 140L garbage service and one 240L recycle service. Additional charges will apply as follows, including for non rateable properties:

WASTE SERVICE OPTION	Per Service
Optional Garbage Charges	
Garbage (upgrade from 140L to 240L)	\$121.00
Garbage (additional service 240L)	\$279.50
Garbage (additional service 140L)	\$161.40
Garbage (additional 80L)	\$93.00
Garbage discount (80L first service)	\$21.60 discount
Optional Recycling Charges	
Recycle (additional 140L or 240L)	\$73.50
Recycle (upgrade from 140L to 360L)	\$35.90
Recycle (additional 360L)	\$110.10
Optional Organics Charges	
Organics 140L service	\$89.60
Organics 240L service	\$114.00
Organics 140L additional service	\$89.60
Organics 240L additional service	\$114.00
Kerbside waste management charge	
Charge for all rateable properties	\$295.74
Public waste management rates and charges	
Residential	\$200.35
Residential – pension concession rate (\$50 discount)	\$150.35
Non-residential rate (cents/\$CIV)*	0.0302357

*subject to Valuer General certification

- 2.14 That Council proposes that an amount of \$238.07m be declared as the amount Council intends to raise from the general rates and charges for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 as follows:

2.14.1	General rates	\$ 167,274,852
	Less primary producer rate rebate	(\$ 277,000)
	Less Council pension rebate	<u>(\$ 553,500)</u>
	Total general rates	\$ 166,444,352

2.14.2	Service charge – recycling and garbage	\$	398,000
	Special rates and charges	\$	4,635
	Kerbside waste service charge	\$	25,642,449
	Service charge – organics	\$	4,140,000
	Public waste service rates and charges	\$	21,853,778
	Projected supplementary rate income	\$	4,000,000
	Rates interest	\$	95,000
	Total rates and service charges	\$	222,578,214
	Rates in lieu - Commonwealth properties	\$	<u>15,486,366</u>
		\$	<u>238,064,580</u>

2.15 That Council notes that in accordance with Section 158 of the 1989 Act and Regulation 8 of the Regulations, detailed information concerning General Rates and Charges is appended to this report.

2.16 Technology Investment

2.16.1 That Council notes an amount of \$38.42m has been included in the capital works budget over the next 5 years (\$1.35m in 2023/24, \$11.85m in 2024/25, \$13.84m in 2025/26 and \$11.38m in 2026/27) for an Enterprise Resource Planning Technology solution subject to a further Council report to confirm the final scope and allocation in the budget.

2.16.2 That Council notes this report will be presented to Council prior to the adoption of the Budget which is scheduled to occur at the Council meeting on 26 June 2023.

2.16.3 That should the final allocation be less than the current value allocated to the project, that the balance of funds will be returned to cash reserves.

2.16.1 That council note the effect of this would be a reduction in the capital works budget, an increase in cash and an increase in the budgeted operating surplus.

2.17 That in accordance with Section 93 and 96(1)(b) of the Act, consultation will be undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

2.17.1 The Budget and Revenue and Rating Plan will be made available for download via Council's website (<https://participate.hume.vic.gov.au/proposed-budget-2023-24>), and physical copies will be available for inspection at Council's Customer Service Centres, and Libraries.

2.17.2 The Budget and Revenue and Rating Plan will be promoted for community feedback via Council's websites, and social media. Submissions, and feedback will be received from 9 May 2023 until 30 May 2023.

2.17.3 Feedback on the Budget and Revenue and Rating Plan can be provided via email, by speaking to a Council Officer, written submissions or by speaking at the submission hearing on

Monday 5 June 2023. Further information on how to provide feedback will be published online at (<https://participate.hume.vic.gov.au/proposed-budget-2023-24>).

- 2.18 Feedback and submissions on the Budget and Revenue and Rating Plan will be heard at the Council meeting on Monday 5 June 2023 at 6.30pm at the Town Hall Broadmeadows, if required. Members of the public may register to speak to the Proposed Budget with or without a written submission, by registering at <https://participate.hume.vic.gov.au/proposed-budget-2023-24>.
- 2.19 Following consideration of submissions, it is intended that Council will consider the Budget and Revenue and Rating Plan for adoption on Monday 26 June 2023, at a meeting of Council to be held at 7:00pm at the Town Hall Broadmeadows.

CARRIED

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

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

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8.3	Vibrant and Inclusive - Draft Events and Festivals Strategy 2023 - 2026	151

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

That Council:

- 2.1 Endorses Vibrant and Inclusive, the draft Events and Festivals Strategy 2023 – 2026 (Attachment 1) for stakeholder and community feedback from Wednesday 10 May 2023 to Wednesday 7 June 2023.
- 2.2 Following consideration of community feedback, consider the final version of Vibrant and Inclusive, Events and Festivals Strategy 2023 – 2026 at a future meeting of Council.

CARRIED

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8.4	Appointment of Independent Audit and Risk Committee Member	175

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

- 2.1 That Mr Bruce Potgieter be appointed to the role of independent member of the Audit and Risk Committee for an initial period of four years, up to a maximum of eight years in accordance with the Audit and Risk Committee Charter.
- 2.2 That the Mayor, Cr Joseph Haweil, formally write to Mr Bruce Potgieter offering him the position.
- 2.3 That the Acting Manager Governance write to all applicants advising them of the decision, following acceptance to the position by Mr Bruce Potgieter.

CARRIED

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

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

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8.5	Naming Proposal: Renaming Spavin Drive Lake to 'Lake McKerrow'	177

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, **Seconded** Cr Sam Misho

- 2.1 THAT Council respectfully declines the application received from the Sunbury Residents Association Inc to rename Spavin Drive Lake, located within Spavin Drive Reserve Sunbury, to 'Lake McKerrow'.
- 2.2 THAT if Council accepts the recommendation to respectfully decline the application received from the Sunbury Residents Association Inc to rename Spavin Drive Lake to 'Lake McKerrow', the Acting Manager Governance writes to the Sunbury Residents Association Inc to advise them of Council's decision.

CARRIED

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8.6	Friends of Aileu Annual Report (2021 and 2022 calendar years combined)	191

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, **Seconded** Cr Karen Sherry

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting during discussion on item 8.6 *Friends of Aileu Annual Report (2021 and 2022 calendar years combined)*, the time being 9:06pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting during discussion and before the vote on item 8.6 *Friends of Aileu Annual Report (2021 and 2022 calendar years combined)* the time being 9:08pm.

That Council:

Notes the Friends of Aileu Annual Reports for the 2021 and 2022 calendar years (Attachment 1).

CARRIED

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. ITEMS TO BE TABLED

Nil

11. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

12. DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Karen Sherry provided a report on the NGAA National Conference which was attended by Cr Haweil, Cr Kurt, Cr Misho and Chief Executive Officer Sheena Frost.

Councillor Jack Medcraft left the meeting, the time being 9:14pm.

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting, the time being 9:16pm.

Cr Naim Kurt provided a report on the NGAA National Conference.

Cr Sam Misho provided a report on the NGAA National Conference.

MINUTES

13. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

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

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, **Seconded** Cr Jim Overend

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

13.1 Contract - Athletics Track Upgrade - Eric Boardman Reserve

Item 13.1 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(g(ii)) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage.

The specified grounds apply because the report contains commercial in confidence information.

13.2 Request for Financial Incentive - OmniGrip Direct

Item 13.2 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(a) 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.

The specified grounds apply because it contains business commercial confidence information.

13.3 CEO Employment and Remuneration Committee Report

Item 13.3 is confidential in accordance with Section 3(1)(f) of the Local Government Act 2020 because it is personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs.

CARRIED

The meeting was closed to the public at 9:29pm.

The meeting did not reopen to the public.

14. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10:01pm.