

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, 9 AUGUST 2021

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Minutes of the

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held on Monday, 9 August 2021

at 7.00PM

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

To: a: Council Cr Joseph Haweil Mayor

Cr Jack Medcraft
Cr Jarrod Bell
Cr Trevor Dance
Cr Chris Hollow
Cr Naim Kurt
Cr Sam Misho
Cr Carly Moore
Cr Jim Overend
Cr Karen Sherry

Ms Roslyn Wai Director Communications, Engagement and

Deputy Mayor

Advocacy

Mr Hector Gaston Director Community Services

Mr Michael Sharp Director Planning and Development

Mr Peter Waite Director Sustainable Infrastructure and Services

Mr Daryl Whitfort Director Corporate Services
Mr Fadi Srour Chief Financial Officer

Ms Anne Mallia Manager Family Youth and Children's Services

Ms Bernadette Thomas Manager Sustainable Environment
Ms Amanda Dodd Coordinator Environmental Planning

Ms Megan Kruger Manager Governance

Mr Peter Faull Coordinator Governance and Corporate Support

Proceedings to be Recorded

The Mayor advised that the Council meeting was being livestreamed on Council's website and that an audio recording of the Council meeting would be made and published to Council's website within 2 working days of the meeting. The Mayor also advised that as Council is the owner of the copyright of the livestream and notwithstanding anything appearing on Council's website, any recording, copying or other use of the livestream is strictly prohibited and would therefore constitute a breach of Council's copyright.

Gallery Not in Attendance

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THIS LAND

The Mayor read the following:

"Hume City Council recognises the rich Aboriginal heritage within the municipality and acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung, which includes the Gunung Willam Balluk clan, as the Traditional Custodians of this land.

Council embraces Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander living cultures as a vital part of Australia's identity and recognises, celebrates and pays respect to the existing family members of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and to Elders past, present and future."

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 Inter Faith Network. In recognition of the religious diversity of residents in Hume City, Council has invited the Hume Inter Faith Network to take responsibility for the opening prayer at Council meetings. This evening's prayer will be led by Imam Abdelhay Hafiz, HIN Member, representing the Roxburgh Park Worshipping Group.

A recording of the prayer led by Imam Abdelhay Hafiz was then played.

3. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cr Jodi Jackson.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillors' attention was 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 meeting during discussion and not vote on the relevant item.

Cr Jim Overend declared a conflict of interest, being a direct interest, in item GE543 *Approved Contracts Report 1 April 2021 - 30 June 2021*, as he is a Committee of Management member of an organisation receiving works through an approved contract included in the report.

5. CONDOLENCE MOTIONS

CNM045 MR ALAN WALTERS

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

It is with deep sorrow that I have to report the passing of one of Sunbury's great stalwarts in Alan Walters.

CARRIED

CNM046 MR BARRY NOLAN

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

I move that Council acknowledges the sad passing of Barry Nolan.

CARRIED

CNM047 MR RICKY PACKETT

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

I would like to move that we acknowledge the sad passing of Mr

Ricky Packett.

CARRIED

CNM048 MR BRENT JOLLY

Moved Cr Trevor Dance, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

I move a motion for Brent Jolly tonight.

CARRIED

6. INFORMAL MEETINGS OF COUNCILLORS

In accordance with Council's Governance Rules, the Chief Executive Officer must ensure that a summary of the matters discussed at an informal meeting of Councillors are tabled at the next convenient council meeting and recorded in the minutes of that council meeting.

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

THAT Council notes the summary of matters discussed at meetings conducted under the auspices of Council, being the Strategy and Policy Briefing Sessions which were held on 5 July 2021 and 19 July 2021.

CARRIED

7. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 12 July 2021 and the Ordinary Council (Town Planning) Meeting of 26 July 2021, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 12 July 2021, and the Ordinary Council (Town Planning) Meeting of 26 July 2021, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

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

Nil

9. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

POA146 Certificate of Appreciation – Amanda Dodd, Outgoing Coordinator Environmental Planning

The Mayor read the following in acknowledgement of departing Coordinator Environmental Planning, Ms Amanda Dodd:

Tonight we acknowledge Amanda Dodd, Council's Coordinator Environmental Planning who will soon be leaving Hume to commence in a Manager's role at another Council. I would liked to have made this acknowledgement in person but unfortunately this is not possible, however Amanda will be presented with a Certificate of Appreciation in person when health restrictions allow for this.

Amanda joined Hume in 2010 as an Environment Officer, and very quickly showed the energy, enthusiasm, creative thinking, and relationship building that she brings to her work every day. She has worked in a number of different roles in the Environmental Planning team, regularly acting as Manager Sustainable Environment, and during 2019, was appointed to the Senior Sustainable Environment Officer role.

She is well respected across the local government sector for her ability to negotiate not just environmental but social, urban design, landscape, and liveability outcomes within Hume. She is deeply passionate about protecting the natural assets of Hume, and beyond, and of supporting the community to value and connect with nature. She is a long-time volunteer, protecting grasslands across Melbourne's west.

Amanda has made an enormous contribution to how we approach environmental protection in Hume, and our communities enjoy these natural spaces because of her work. She has actively contributed to building the capacity of the environmental planning sector within local government through the Biodiversity Planners Network, and has influenced state government processes and policy with her participation in a number of state-wide working groups.

She is a mentor and a role model to many, and a well-respected leader. In 2016 Amanda was awarded Hume's Kurt Bruhn Award, and travelled to Europe and Asia to investigate leading examples of biodiversity conservation in a number of countries. Her cross-sectoral work was recognised in 2015, when she was awarded the Inaugural 'Female Achiever of the Year Award' by the Planning Institute Australia (Victoria).

Amanda, Council thanks you for your service and wishes you all the very best in your new role.

The Mayor invited Ms Dodd to address the meeting. Ms Dodd addressed the meeting and thanked the Mayor and Council.

Cr Karen Sherry, Cr Naim Kurt and Cr Carly Moore spoke to thank and acknowledge the service of Ms Dodd.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

PQ843 MATTHEW LILYWHITE

QUESTION 1:

The app "Snap, Solve, Send" was created to allow citizens who identify areas in our local community that require improvement, to be able to share those observations with relevant authorities including Local Councils. The app not only provides this service for free to all Local Governments and relevant service providers in Australia and New Zealand, but also allows for entities to become supporters of the app and get full access to the apps potential data and reporting. This has already been done by nearly 80 entities including the NBN, Telstra, Melbourne University, Agriculture Victoria, and our neighbours the City of Melton and City of Moreland to name a few.

Has Council considered becoming a supporter of "Snap, Solve, Send"?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS, ENGAGEMENT AND ADVOCACY)
COUNCIL PROMOTES ITS OWN 'REPORT AN ISSUE' FUNCTION VIA OUR WEBSITE
WHICH IS MOBILE USER FRIENDLY AND IS INTEGRATED WITH OUR COUNCIL
CUSTOMER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.

COUNCIL ALSO RECEIVES ENQUIRIES FROM THE SNAP SEND SOLVE PROVIDER WHICH WE RESPOND TO.

COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF SUCH A SERVICE VIA A FORMAL AGREEMENT WOULD OCCUR AFTER APPROPRIATE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT PROCESSES ARE FOLLOWED. THESE ARE NOT CURRENTLY BEING CONSIDERED.

PQ844 MATTHEW LILYWHITE

QUESTION 2:

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 8 February 2021, Councillor Bell proposed a motion (BEL004) directing Council to generate a report on "a future Strategy & Policy briefing exploring the opportunities, costs, and benefits of Council sponsoring a "Hume City" team to attend the YMCA Victorian Youth Parliament program". What is the progress of that report and when might that be presented to Council and available for the public?

RESPONSE: (DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES)

A REPORT PROVIDING A RESPONSE TO GENERAL BUSINESS ITEM BEL004 WAS PROVIDED TO THE COUNCIL STRATEGY & POLICY BRIEFING ON THE 6 APRIL 2021.

A FUTURE ACTION IDENTIFIED IN THE REPORT WAS THAT COUNCIL SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TEAM FOR THE 2022 YMCA YOUTH PARLIAMENT WHEN APPLICATIONS OPEN IN OCTOBER 2021. EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST ARE CURRENTLY BEING SOUGHT FROM PARTICIPANTS OF EXISTING YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, SECONDARY SCHOOL NETWORKS AND COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY PARTNERS.

NO FURTHER REPORTS ARE PLANNED FOR COUNCIL ON THIS MATTER AT THIS TIME.

12. OFFICER'S REPORTS

Reports Identified as Requiring Individual Discussion

Report No. Report Page in Agenda ED043 Establishment of Funded Three-Year-Old Kindergarten 11

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

That Council

- 2.1 endorses roll out of funded Three-Year-Old Kindergarten from the commencement of 2022 across existing and future early years services;
- 2.2 notes the signing of the Kindergarten Infrastructure Service Plan (KISP);
- 2.3 endorses the disestablishment of Council's Three-Year-Old Activity Groups; and
- 2.4 adopts a revised Kindergarten Enrolment Policy to include Three-Year-Old Kindergarten.

CARRIED

Report No. Report Page in Agenda
GE543 Approved Contracts Report 1 April 2021 - 30 June 2021 99

Cr Jim Overend, having declared a conflict of interest, being a direct interest, in report GE543 *Approved Contracts Report 1 April 2021 – 30 June 2021*, as he is a Committee of Management member of an organisation receiving works through an approved contract included in the report, left the meeting after the item was moved, the time being 7:40pm, and did not participate in any discussion on the matter and did not vote on the item.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, **Seconded** Cr Jarrod Bell **That the report be noted.**

CARRIED

Cr Jim Overend returned to the meeting after the vote had been taken on item GE543 - *Approved Contracts Report 1 April 2021 – 30 June 2021*, the time being 7:44pm

Reports Not Otherwise Dealt With

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
CC135	Draft Live Green Plan 2021 - 2026	63

be adopted.

CARRIED

Report No. Report Page in Agenda CC135 Draft Live Green Plan 2021 - 2026 63

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

2.1 That Council:

- 2.1.1 endorses the release of the draft Live Green Plan 2021-2026 (Attachment 1) for public exhibition and further review by the Sustainability Taskforce
- 2.1.2 considers a further report in November outlining any changes to the draft Plan as a result of this final stage of consultation and considers the Plan for adoption.

CARRIED

13. PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Nil

14. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

15. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

16. DELEGATES REPORTS

DEL103 INTERFACE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA REGIONAL MEETING

Councillor Karen Sherry

Councillor Karen Sherry provided a verbal report on her attendance at the Interface Municipal Association of Victoria Regional Meeting, which was held on 30 July 2021.

17. GENERAL BUSINESS

BEL018 2021 WORLD SCOUT DAY HONOURS

Councillor Jarrod Bell

Moved Cr Jarrod Bell, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

I move that the Mayor on behalf of Council write to the recipients of the 2021 World Scout Day Honors across the Hume District of Scouts Victoria.

CARRIED

MOR046 INTER URBAN BREAK AREA PLANNING ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES

Councillor Carly Moore

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

That Officers provide a report to a future Strategy and Policy briefing on:

- 1) Planning Enforcement activity within the inter urban break area.
- 2) Opportunities to achieve greater compliance with the Hume Planning scheme in this area; and
- 3) The suitability of the existing planning controls to achieve and maintain the planning purpose of the inter urban break as a low density rural living area.

CARRIED

MED299 HEAVY VEHICLE SPEEDS ON RACECOURSE ROAD AND ELIZABETH DRIVE SUNBURY

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

- 1) That Council investigate community concerns about heavy vehicles speeds, mud tracked onto roads and traffic management associated with construction sites along Racecourse Road, Sunbury. The investigation should consider whether speed limits on Racecourse Road and Elizabeth Drive should be lower.
- 2) That Council write to Victoria Police to request enforcement of speed limits along haulage routes through Sunbury including Riddell Road and Elizabeth Drive.

CARRIED

MED300 NAMING OF NEW PAVILION AT BOARDMAN OVAL

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council look at the new pavilion to be built at Boardman Oval for the Sunbury Kangaroos, that it be named the Alan Walters Pavilion in recognition of the work that he did for the club.

CARRIED

KUR110 NORTHERN MEMORIAL PARK DAMAGE TO GRAVES

Councillor Naim Kurt

The Mayor, Cr Joseph Haweil, declared a conflict of interest, being a general conflict of interest in that he is a member of the Greater Metropolitan Cemetery Trust's Community Advisory Committee, in item KUR110 *Northern Memorial Park Damage To Graves*, and left the meeting, the time being 8:02pm, before the item was seconded, and did not participate in any discussion on the matter and did not vote on the item.

Deputy Mayor Cr Jack Medcraft assumed the Chair at 8:02pm.

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

Noting the continued vandalisation of gravesites at the Northern Memorial Park, that Council writes to the Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust in support of the re-introduction of safety cameras and other measures around the park to discourage further acts of delinquent behaviour and gravestone damage.

CARRIED

The Mayor, Cr Joseph Haweill returned to meeting, the time being 8:06pm, after the vote had been taken on item KUR110 *Northern Memorial Park Damage To Graves*, and resumed the Chair.

KUR111 PLANNING CONTROLS AT TOXIC WASTE SITES

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council writes to the Department of Environment Land Water Planning and the relevant Minister seeking an ongoing commitment and additional resources to the Capacity Building Program for Local Government that seeks to build and maintain at the capacity of Councils to monitor investigate Sites that store High Risk and Hazardous Waste and that officers prepare a report for a future briefing session on the planning controls that apply to materials recycling facilities and the extent and proximity to residential properties is considered.

CARRIED

KUR112 ADVOCACY PLATFORMS PRIOR TO FEDERAL AND STATE ELECTIONS 2022

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

That information is provided to a future briefing of Council, about our advocacy platform heading into next year's Federal and State elections and options to improve our advocacy to achieve better election commitments from all political parties for our community and municipality. Options could include the consideration of separate resourcing for advocacy and how we can engage the community in our advocacy campaigns.

CARRIED

MIS008 ZEBRA CROSSINGS ADJACENT TO PARKS

Councillor Sam Misho

Moved Cr Sam Misho, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

That a report be prepared for a future Strategy and Policy Meeting on the potential for providing zebra crossings on streets adjacent to parks, particularly those where playgrounds are located.

CARRIED

MIS009 INVESTIGATE 3D IMAGERY AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Councillor Sam Misho

Moved Cr Sam Misho, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

Seek to have officers to investigate and provide a briefing to Councillors on how plans, images, and 3D imagery of development proposals being considered by Council may be provided and displayed as part of the Council meetings.

CARRIED

MIS010 GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND MINISTERS COVID-19 SUPPORT PACKAGES

Councillor Sam Misho

Moved Cr Sam Misho, Seconded Cr Jim Overend

Ask the Council to write to the Federal and State Government (The Hon Jaala Pulford MLC, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Employment, for Workforce, Skills, Small and Family Business, The Hon Stuart Robert MP and all Hume local members of parliament), seeking a review of funding to include small business and sole traders that have missed out during COVID – 19 lockdowns, as too many small businesses and sole traders have missed out on Government support during COVID lockdowns.

CARRIED

SHE052 VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT'S BIG HOUSING BUILD

Councillor Karen Sherry

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Jarrod Bell

That Council officers present a briefing note at a future Strategy and Policy Briefing. The purpose of this would be to consider the allocation of additional council resources in the 2022/23 budget to a project officer. This officer would work with Housing Associations, developers and The Broadmeadows Revitalisation Board and local community services on projects related to the Victorian Government's Big Housing Build.

CARRIED

SHE053 SHORT TERM LEASE ARRANGEMENT AT DALLAS SHOPS

Councillor Karen Sherry

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

That Council officers bring a briefing note back to the Council at a future Strategy and Policy briefing on a short term lease arrangement at the Dallas shops on the site of the former Commonwealth Bank. This would be for the purposes of providing perhaps some community meeting rooms, arts displays and some palace for a place manager to be.

CARRIED

OVE006 PARKING MATTERS IN MAIN STREET CRAIGIEBURN CENTRAL

Councillor Jim Overend

Moved Cr Jim Overend, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

That Council investigates parking matters in Main Street at Craigieburn Central:

- 1. The provision and location of accessible parking spaces; and
- 2. Potential treatment to prevent the motorcycle parking spaces being used by other vehicles such as delivery vans.

CARRIED

OVE007 CRAIGIEBURN WEST PSP - DUPLICATION OF MICKLEHAM ROAD

Councillor Jim Overend

Moved Cr Jim Overend, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

That Council:

- 1) Notes that the Standing Advisory Committee appointed by the Minister for Planning to consider the Craigieburn West PSP found the existing levels of congestion on Mickleham Road troubling;
- 2) Writes to the Minister for Planning and the State Member for Yuroke urging that Craigieburn West PSP amendment to the Hume Planning Scheme not be approved until there is funding committed to duplicate Mickleham Road from Somerton Road to Mt Ridley Road; and
- 3) Writes to the CEO of the VPA requesting information on how the VPA are responding to the recommendation of the Standing Advisory Committee as to advocate for the upgrades to be brought on as soon as practical.

CARRIED

18. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:45pm.

COUNCILLOR JOSEPH HAWEIL
MAYOR