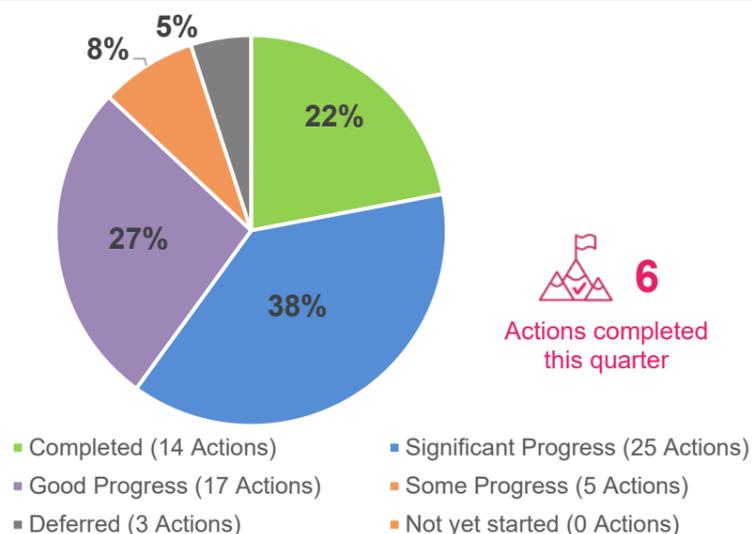


Our Progress (1 July 2021 to 31 March 2022)



Our advocacy highlights

- Council continues to advocate for social housing renewal in Broadmeadows.
- Ten Hume businesses are signatories to the social procurement, Employment and Economic Development (SEED) project.
- Hume City Council is part of the Local Government Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum and is supporting the Back Your Neighbour Campaign to raise awareness in the community about the Status Resolution Support Services (SRSS) program cuts.
- Council wrote to the Minister for Police to seek additional speed limit enforcement on Donnybrook Road.
- Council's advocacy strategy in the lead up to the federal and state elections will be presented to Councillors at workshop on 13 April 2022.
- Communications for the federal election will commence from 14 April with the state election campaign due to go live from May 2022.

Theme 1: A community that is resilient, inclusive, and thriving

- Volunteering activities included a 'Volunteer for all' online forum, Volunteer mini expo with 16 various stall holders, two online 'Talking about volunteering' sessions, and development of a video with three community volunteers sharing their experiences to help inspire others to consider volunteering.
- Continued to identify opportunities for the new employment pathways program providing 12-week paid placements. One placement concluded and further placements advanced during the quarter.
- Completed Urban Context Analysis and shared with Kangan Institute and Homes Victoria to inform their investigations for the renewal and revitalisation of Hume Central/ Broadmeadows Town Centre.
- Maturity assessments and individual action planning is underway with 10 Hume Businesses participating the Social Procurement Employment and Economic Development (SEED) project.
- Council endorsed the annual gambling report for Hume City on 15th March 2022.
- Launched an educational video about family violence called 'Take the First Steps' in collaboration with Dallas Neighbourhood House and Northern Community Legal Centre.
- Council noted the achievements of the Homelessness Pathway Officer and agreed to consider extend the rough sleeping pilot project for an additional 12-month period.
- Council adopted the Hume Health and Wellbeing Plan 2021-2025 and the Year One Action Plan (April 2022-June 2023) on 15 March 2022.
- Progressed the development of the Arts and Culture Service and Infrastructure Plan.

Theme 2: A City that cares about our planet, is appealing and connected

- Further progressed the background work on Merrifield North Precinct Structure Plan (PSP) and Greenvale North PSP.
- Council signed a formal Partnership Agreement with Whittlesea and Mitchell Councils on the planning for the Cloverton Town Centre.
- Opened the 2022-23 application process for the Conserving our Rural Environment (CoRE) grant to support rural landowners.
- Continued implementation of the Live Green Plan 2021-2026 including Enviro Champions program, Nature Stewards program, Northwest Communities for Climate Action schools, and Gardens for Wildlife program.
- Progressed the development of the draft Land and Biodiversity Plan.
- Recommended the suburb boundary review.
- Council engaged a consultant to undertake an economic and financial analysis of supplying stormwater from O'Brien Street retarding basin to Sunbury Cemetery.
- Attracted over 1,300 responses for the Participate Hume survey 'Parks Close to Home' as part of development of the Open Space Strategy (OSS).
- Progressed the development of the draft Waste Strategy.
- In collaboration with Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) and the local community, progressed the development Merri Creek Trail extension.
- Council received approval from Melbourne Water for the development of the Greenvale-Attwood pipetrack.

Theme 3: A council that inspires leadership, is accountable and puts the community first

- Continued implement and support programs and advisory committees/reference groups to foster community leadership and increase community participation into Council decision making processes.
- Council endorsed the revised Community Engagement Policy on 15 March 2022.
- Progressed the development of the long-term Asset Management Plan in line with the Local Government Victoria Asset Plan Guidance released in February 2022.
- Completed the final Youth Facilities Report.
- Completed the development of the Gender Equality Action Plan (GEAP).
- Progressed development of processes and procedures to support Gender Impact Assessments (GIAs).
- Completed the evaluation of the Leadership Development Program (Learn2Lead) and provided a report to ELT in March 2022.
- Implemented electronic timesheets and rostering systems in the Leisure Centres Team to improve efficiencies with staff management and payroll.