Greater Hume Councillors



Picture of Councillors (L to R): Back - Cr Liston, Cr Quinn Cr Hicks, Cr Hooper, Cr Lindner; **Front** - Cr O'Neill, Cr Morton, Cr Schilg, Cr Parker.

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Public Forum and Council Meetings

Council has resolved to permit members of the public to participate in Public Forums or attend the meetings in person subject to strict conditions. Persons wishing to address Council in the forum must register by submitting a written application. The conduct of the forum is governed by the Council's Code of Meeting Practice. For more information and to apply to speak at the public form, go to Greater Hume website, #greaterhume.

Live Streaming of Meetings

Residents can view Council meetings by tuning into our live streaming on the youtube channel. Go to Greater Hume website to obtain the link of live and previous video recordings along with minutes and agendas of each meeting.

Trouble Hearing or Speaking?

You can make contact with Council.

Greater Hume Council is adopting the use of the National Relay Service in order to be accessible to people who are deaf or have a hearing or speech impairment.

The National Relay Service (NRS) is an Australian Government initiative that assists people with hearing and speech impairments to contact organisations or individuals by phone.

Making a National Relay Service Call If you are deaf or have a hearing

impairment or speech impairment, contact us through the National Relay Service (www.relayservice.com.au):

- TTY users phone 133 677, ask for 02 6036 0100 or 1300 653 538
- Speak and Listen users phone 1300 555 727 then ask for 02 6036 0100 or 1300 653 538.
- Internet relay users connect to the NRS then ask for 02 6036 0100 or 1300 653 538.

Contact Details

Phone - All Offices

Council Offices
Holbrook Office
General Manager / Corporate
Services / Community Services
39 Young Street
Holbrook NSW 2644

Culcairn Office

Engineering
Environment and Planning
40 Balfour Street
Culcairn NSW 2660

Customer Relations Centres

Henty Office and Library

32 Sladen Street Henty NSW 2658

Holbrook Library

Library Court Holbrook NSW 2644

Jindera Community Hub 83 Urana Street Jindera NSW 2642

WAW Credit Union Walla Walla
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Council Update

Mayors Message

There was record involvement from the community for the preparation of the Greater Hume Strategic Plan and we have responded to that input to devise the initiatives in the Delivery Program. These initiatives will address the strategies identified through the preparation of the Community Strategic Plan and in turn achieve Councils vision of a thriving and connected rural region that fosters sustainable growth and enhances the well-being of all residents while preserving its rich heritage, the natural beauty and character of the community.

It has been a long-term focus of Council to maintain a strong financial position and consequently it is pleasing that Council is able to enter the period of the Delivery Program without the need to pursue a special rate rise. The Delivery Program and associated Resourcing Strategy place an emphasis on continuous improvement which will delay the need for future special rate rises.

Greater Hume Council area has experienced a significant increase in population which requires the Council to ensure that its infrastructure is fit for purpose and so a review and enhancement of asset management is a priority. The current levels of expenditure on maintenance of Councils road network will continue and there is increased expenditure on water sewerage infrastructure as well as recreational assets such as swimming pools.

Through the completion of the Greater Hume Settlement Strategy Council will continue to plan for future growth which will identify land suitable for use for residential, commercial, and industrial purposes. The council will seek opportunities for grant funding so that this newly created land can be as affordable as possible and economic development will be pursued to support local businesses to generate employment opportunities.

We appreciate the time taken to consider the Delivery Program and we are committed to improving our communication methods so that Council can continue to work in partnership with the people that it serves so that we all can be proud of Greater Hume.



Mayor, Cr Lea Parker

Senior Staff and Council's Role in the Greater Hume Community



Colin Kane, Acting General Manager

Strategic Planning
Governance
Economic Development
Community Engagement
Tourism Promotion
Policy Development
REROC
WHS/Risk Management



Louise Frichot, Director Corporate and Community Services

Corporate Services Community Services Finance Information Technology Youth Services Greater Hume Children Services



Greg Blackie, Director Engineering

Engineering
Assets
Traffic and Infrastructure
Water and Sewer
Works
Parks and Reserves
Road Safety



Colin Kane, Director Environment and Planning

Environment and Planning Building Services Environmental Services Planning Services Regulatory Public Cemeteries Swimming Pools

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Where does the money come from?

29% rates and annual charges.

20% capital grants and contributions.

29% operating grants and contributions.

16% user charges and fees.

4% other.

Grants Allocated to Greater Hume Council for 2024-2025

Major grants allocated to Greater Hume Council during the 2024 - 2025 financial year

Transport for NSW

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Restart NSW Fixing Country Roads	\$1,800,000.00
Regional Emergency Road Repair	\$9,130,569.00
Fixing Local Roads	\$2,337,262.00
Regional Roads Block Grant	\$2,422,000.00
Roads to Recovery	\$1,685,452.00
NSW State Library	
Public Library Infrastructure Grant	\$192,464.00
Library Subsidy	\$73,543.00

National Emergency Management Agency

National Flood Mitigation	\$4,580,000.0
NSW Rural Fire Service	
Annual Maintenance and Renair Grant	\$348 518 00

NSW Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications

LRCIP Phase 4 Funding \$2,270,707.00

Commonwealth Department of Education

Community Child Care Fund Sustainability	\$725,423.00
Start Stronger Pathways	\$376,765.00

Office of Local Government

FAG Grant \$7,286,936.00

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Pension Concession

If you hold a Pensioner Concession or a Department of Veterans Affairs Card you may be eligible for a concession on both your rates and water. The Concession is available only on your primary residence and your pension or DVA card must reflect this address. Please note that NSW does not grant concessions on Health Care cards. If you are receiving a rebate on your rates it will automatically carry over onto your water account.

To apply, complete a Pension Concession Application and attach a copy of your Centrelink Pension Card. Your application will then be processed by our Finance Team and an amended rates notice will be sent out to you.

Pensioner Concession Forms can be downloaded from #greaterhume website or picked up from one of Greater Hume's Customer Relations Centres.

Completion of Major Infrastructure Projects

Over the past year, Council has successfully completed some major infrastructure projects around the region. These infrastructure projects have each made an impact on our community by improving services, future-proofing our region and providing areas for social gathering and recreational entertainment.

The major infrastructure projects completed are -

- Brocklesby Balldale Road Upgrade
- Holbrook Levee
- Upgrade of 5 bridges along Jingellic Road
- Burrumbuttock Walking Track Upgrade
- Building of the playground at the Henty Recreation

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- Road Rehabilitation and Kerb & Gutter and Drainage along Swift Street, Holbrook (between Young and Hume Street)
- Kerb & Gutter and Drainage upgrade along Balfour Street, Culcairn
- Road Rehabilitation and Kerb & Gutter/Drainage along Dight Street, Jindera
- Street Light installation at the Hueske Road and Urana Road Intersection in Jindera

Budget for 2025 - 2026

Highlights of the 2025 - 2026 budget includes:

\$47.4m - Total Budget \$16.1m - Capital Works

\$31.3m - Capital Works
\$31.3m - Operating Expenditure

\$3.3m - Recreation and Cultural Facilities

\$5.5m - Community Service Activites

\$8.9m - Road, Bridge and Footpath Projects \$7.9m - Road, Bridge and Footpath Maintenance

\$8.5m - Water and Sewer Services

\$3m - Environmental Protection Activities

Keep in the Loop! Our Greater Hume Council Newsletters are Changing

From August, Greater Hume will be sending out weekly newsletters to all subscribed residents which will include

job advertisements, weekly works programs, any items currently on exhibition, community and Council events and other updates as needed.

To keep in the loop and to be added to the mailing list for our newsletters, scan the QR code below to subscribe to our 'Greater Hume Council Community Update' newsletter.

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