

Newsletter

Autumn 2025

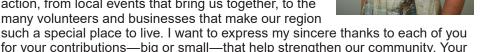
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A guide to what's happening in our community

Mayor's Message

As we move into the heart of Autumn, I am excited to connect with you to share some reflection on our community. Autumn is a time of change and reflection, we are also facing one of the most pressing challenges for our regions, the continued dry conditions. While the arrival of cooler weather is usually a relief after the long summer, the ongoing dry conditions remind us of the vulnerability of our farmers and the financial stress that puts on our communities.

On a brighter note, over the past few months, we've seen a tremendous amount of community spirit in action, from local events that bring us together, to the many volunteers and businesses that make our region



for your contributions—big or small—that help strengthen our community. Your efforts are truly appreciated, and together, we are making a positive impact.

Over the last two weeks Council have conducted a very successful community survey process to gather insights from our residents and we thank you all for your contribution. The survey results are now being compiled into our Community Strategic Plan. This is not just a roadmap, it is a commitment

Community Strategic Plan. This is not just a roadmap, it is a commitment to ensuring that Greater Hume remains a thriving, connected and liveable region for generations to come. Whether it's facing the challenges of drought or planning for long-term growth, together we can shape the future of our community.

community.

The key themes emerging from the survey responses include:

- Residents deeply value their close-knit towns and the rural lifestyle
- The need for better roads, public transport and essential services
- The support for small businesses, local job creation and tourism
- Preservation of farmland, tree planting and sustainable water management
- A desire for improved communication, transparency and responsiveness from Council.

Council have taken that feedback onboard regarding communication and we are looking at how we can improve community engagement as a priority. Moving forward I would like to continue to offer a "Cuppa with a Councillor" as a regular opportunity for the community to engage with the Councillors, stay tuned

I would also like to remind everyone to use the Lodge a Customer Request Form online when reporting a problem or requesting an action of Council staff, alternatively you can call our friendly customer relation officers on 02 6036 0100 and they can assist.

I thank the Councillors and staff for their commitment to the Community Survey process and I am proud of the direction we are heading as a Shire, and I look forward to continuing to work alongside each of you to build a brighter future for Greater Hume.

Lastly, I would like to extend a warm invitation to all to enjoy the beauty and peace of Autumn in our region—whether that's by taking a stroll through our parks, visiting our many tourist attractions, watching/playing sport, visiting local businesses, or simply enjoying the changing colours in your own backyard.

Thank you, Cr Lea Parker, Mayor.

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Launch of 3 Bins Brings Big Results for Residents

In September 2024, a waste audit was conducted across 60 (randomly selected) Greater Hume household bins along with other councils in the region. The results from the audit will be used to better understand resident behaviour after the launch of the 3 bin system.

Halve Waste and Council would like to commend residents for their efforts in achieving a high resource recovery rate and for maintaining a low contamination levels in the organics bin, which is a great result only 3 months after launching the new system.

Key Highlights

- A significant reduction in the amount of general waste landfilled by 64.4% equating to 1,600 tonnes of waste being composted or recycled rather than
 landfilled
- The contamination rate (wrong things) in the green organics bin was extremely low at 0.06% showing that residents appreciate this material gets turned into compost and utilised across agriculture and horticulture in the region.



Audit Insights and Opportunities

The results of the audit also showed where Halve Waste can focus education and engagement in our communities:

- Food waste in red bin: 19.05%
- Recyclables in red bin: 11.12%
- Food waste and recyclables still make up a significant proportion of the general waste bin. Removing food from packaging and adding to the green bin.
- Recycling like tins and containers just need to be empty (no liquids or large amounts of food waste) before adding to the yellow lidded recycling bin.

Common Contaminants in the Recycling Bin

Certain materials frequently contaminate recycling streams. Some of the most commonly identified recycling bin contaminants identified in the 2024 audit include:

- Food waste
- · Clothing/textiles
- Bagged waste
- Non-recyclable plastics (crates, PVC, pipes, toys, polystyrene, plastic cutlery and kitchenware)
- Hazardous materials
- E-waste

How You Can Help Reduce Waste to Landfill

- Which Bin?: Visit the Halve Waste website for detailed information on what goes in each bin: www.halvewaste. com.au.
- 2. Use Council-Supplied Green Liners: Ensure that only council-approved green liners are used for organics waste.
- 3. **Keep Recyclables Loose:** Do not bag recyclables; keeping them loose ensures that they are properly processed at recycling facilities.
- 4. **Dispose of Hazardous Waste Correctly:** Properly dispose of hazardous materials by referring to Councils website to find your nearest disposal location.

Thank you for your commitment to reducing waste and improving sustainability. By continuing to follow best practices, together, we can create a more sustainable future for our community.

Highlights from the Newsletter



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Learn about the winners from the 2025 Greater Hume Australia Day Celebrations.



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Keep up to date with projects that are happening around your community.



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Hume Children Services.

Greater Hume Australia Day Celebrations at Henty

Australia Day 2025 in Greater Hume was held at the fantastic Henty Recreation Grounds, it was a fabulous ceremony, with over 350 people attending. Our Master of Ceremonies, Cr Brian Liston ran the official ceremony, announcing the local nominees and winners for our award categories. Some of the highlights were the wonderful addresses given by our Australia Day Ambassador, Mr James Pittar, St Paul's College captain's Archie Frohling and Jessica Martin, and Cr Lea Parker, Mayor, Greater Hume Council. The Australian flag was unfurled by a representative of the Henty Community, Harlan Candy. The Henty Singers led Advance Australia Fair and provided entertainment throughout the ceremony.

Two residents of Greater Hume became Australian citizens following an official Australian Citizenship Ceremony, they were:

- Alison Crilly, Culcairn
- Alana Rickard, Little Billabong

Congratulations to all the award nominees and winners who were recognised for their hard work on behalf of the **Greater Hume community, and the winners were:**

- Citizen of the Year Alison Schuster, Henty
- Youth Empowerment Award Lucy Grills, Holbrook
- Pic Australia Day Ambassador, James Pittar Individual Volunteers of the Year – joint winners, Kerry Small, Henty, looking onto part of the Australia Day crowd Colin Barrett, Henty and Andrew Kotzur, Walla Walla
- Group Volunteers of the Year joint winners, Holbrook Meals on Wheels and Rural Care Link Op Shop Volunteers, Jindera
- Sports Person/Team of the Year Ashley-James Bender, Holbrook
- Sports Volunteer/s of the Year joint winners, John Mullavey, Walla Walla and Debbie Mills, Holbrook
- Community Event of the Year joint winners Brock-Burrum Big Freeze and Walla Walla Lutheran Church Centenary



Pic 2025 Citizen of the Year, Alison Schuster

School Citizenship Awards:

Billabong High School Brocklesby Public School Burrumbuttock Public School Culcairn Public School Gerogery Public School Henty Public School Holbrook Public School Jindera Public School St John's Lutheran School St Joseph's Primary School St Patrick's Primary School St Paul's Lutheran Primary School St Paul's College Walbundrie Public School Walla Walla Public School

lilysh Retallick Gracie Buckingham Taylor Hawkins Maddison Lloyd-Wilson Mollie Cornell Charlie Chambers Lachlan Saunders Isaac Thompson Molly Ginnivan James Thomson Heidi Hulme Zoe Lieschke Jaiah Disher Dylan Phillips Ashton Jacob

A big thank you to:

- Henty Community and Lion's Club For their outstanding job of working through the logistics of holding Australia Day in such a lovely setting and for providing a delicious breakfast.
- Our Master of Ceremonies, Cr Brian Liston
- Munyabla Rural Fire Brigade
- Morgan Country Car Club
- St John's Ambulance
- Feed the Soul for the delicious morning tea
- Australia Day Council of NSW and National Australia Day Council



Pic 2025 Individual Volunteer of the Year Joint Winners, Andrew Kotzur, Walla Walla, Colin Barrett, Henty and Kerry Small, Henty

Community Projects Update

Below are updates on some of the community prioritised projects currently being implemented:

- Brocklesby Funded by Brocklesby Pub Fund Replacing 4 tennis courts.
 Tennis Courts are being replaced with additional funds coming from the sale of Brocklesby Hotel proceeds.
- Brocklesby Focus Group's Blacksmith Park upgrade (including placement of Plane Silhouette and Brocklesby railway sign). Installation of AWTS toilets will be completed within the first half of 2025.



Pic Burrumbuttock - New toilet facilities. Photo courtesy of Modus

- Culcairn Moving of the Pedestrian Railway Bridge. Now awaiting Inland Rail
 Contractor to relocate bridge, then refurbishment will occur. Latest Information from Inland Rail is that the relocation is now likely to occur in early 2026.
- Burrumbuttock Jointly funded by the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program 2023 and Crown Reserves
 Improvement Fund Installation of new toilets and septic system at Burrumbuttock Recreation Reserve. The toilet
 facility has now been completed. Toilets opened November 2024.
- Holbrook Holbrook Dog Park The fencing around the Dog Park has now been completed.
- Holbrook Levee At present the works for the Holbrook Levee are still running on time and to schedule. The contractors have been working hard to deliver the flood mitigation works that are designed to protect Holbrook residents from future flooding. Target for completion is still April 2025. Good weather conditions have allowed work to proceed unhindered.



Pic Holbrook Dog Park

Out and About in Greater Hume



Thank you Morning Tea for Doug Meyer
Greater Hume Council hosted a thank you morning tea
for retired Councillor, Doug Meyer at the Henty Library in
early February.

Thank you for your service to Greater Hume.



Thank you Morning Tea for Heather Wilton Greater Hume Council hosted a thank you morning tea for retired Councillor, Heather Wilton at the Holbrook Library in early February.

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Subscribe to our monthly What's On in Greater Hume via email.

Pick up a Visitor's Guide at:

Visitor Information Centre, Holbrook; Doodle Cooma Craft Shop, Henty; Burrumbuttock General Store; Woolpack Inn Museum, Holbrook; Gerogery Supply Store; Jindera Pioneer Museum; Culcairn Red Cross Craft Shop; Woomargama Post Office; and Walla Store

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Local family friendly things to do this Autumn

As autumn settles in and the cool air sweeps through, there's no better time to step outside and enjoy the natural charm of Greater Hume.

The stunning natural landscapes of Greater Hume offer the perfect backdrop for all kinds of adventures, whether you are looking for a quiet walk through the countryside, a family outing, Pic Enjoy a sweet treat at the or a peaceful spot to recharge, Greater Hume has something for everyone.



Submarine Park, Holbrook

For those ready to take on a challenge, the Hume and Hovell Track promises an exciting adventure. This iconic trail begins at Coppabella Creek and stretches through the serene Lankeys Creek, winding its way into the heart of Woomargama National Park. As you journey through this rugged terrain, take in the magnificent views, discover peaceful camping spots, and pause for a picnic at one of the many scenic lookouts. The trail ends near the quaint villages of Wymah and Bowna, offering the perfect conclusion to a day of exploration.

Families searching for a relaxing day out will love the easy to follow walking trails throughout Greater Hume. The Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre, nestled in Burrumbuttock, boasts a 4 hectare park filled with signposted walks and free barbecue facilities, perfect for a casual outing with the family. For a blend of history and nature, the Culcairn Bike and Walking Trail is a 7km loop around the town of Culcairn, featuring picturesque views and plenty of places to rest and take in the sights.

For a peaceful retreat, the Ian Geddes Bush Walk in Holbrook offers a 30 minute stroll along Ten Mile Creek. Starting at the Ten Mile Creek Gardens and weaving behind the Woolpack Inn Museum, this path provides a welcome respite from the bustle of daily life, inviting you to slow down and take in the natural beauty around you.

For those interested in history, Greater Hume is a treasure trove of fascinating stories and heritage. With 10 museums scattered throughout the region, we are fortunate to have such a wealth of local history right at our doorstep. From well preserved artefacts to interactive exhibits, these museums offer a deep dive into the past, showcasing the stories that shaped our communities. Whether you're a history buff or simply curious, exploring these museums provides a meaningful way to connect with what's in our home towns!

As Autumn paints Greater Hume in vibrant shades of gold and red, there's no better time to embrace the beauty of our region, whether through a leisurely stroll, a family outing, or a journey into the past. With so much natural beauty and rich history to discover, Greater Hume offers endless opportunities to connect with the landscape and each other. So, step outside, explore our trails, uncover local stories, and celebrate the unique charm that makes our region so special.

To find out more information head to www.visitgreaterhume.com.au.

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What's On

March

- 13 Storytime @ Holbrook Library
- 13 Seniors Week Festival @ Henty
- 14-16 Holbrook Agricultural Show
- 16 Holbrook Championship Dog Show
- 16 Annual Holbrook Triathlon
- 16 Grassy Woodlands Nature Journalling Group @ Wirraminna **Environmental Education Centre**
- 19 Storytime @ Jindera Library
- 19 Greater Hume Council Meeting @ Jindera
- 23 High Tea @ Jindera Pioneer Museum
- 24 Service NSW Mobile Service Centre @ Walla Walla
- 25 Service NSW Mobile Service Centre @ Culcairn
- 26 Service NSW Mobile Service Centre @ Henty
- 27 Storytime @ Holbrook Library
- 30 Morgan Country Car Club Show 'n' Shine @ Jindera

April

- 6 Table Top Mountain Charity Walk 10 Storytime @ Holbrook Library
- 16 Storytime @ Jindera Library
- 16 Greater Hume Council Meeting @ Culcairn

May

- 1 Storytime @ Holbrook Library
- 10 Mother's Day Markets @ Holbrook Hotel
- 18 Grassy Woodlands Nature Journalling Group @ Wirraminna **Environmental Education Centre**
- 21 Storytime @ Jindera Library
- 21 Greater Hume Council Meeting @ Culcairn
- 22 Storytime @ Holbrook Library

Engineering Works

Listed below is Council's planned works program up to June 2025:

- Brocklesby Balldale Road Stage 2 Reconstruct
 3.5km from Woodland Road to Shire boundary
- · Widening of Wantagong Bridge on Jingellic Road
- Road reconstruction and widening Jingellic Road, Holbrook
- · Road reconstruction 1.8km Jelbart Road, Jindera
- Bitumen resealing on local and regional roads as per Council's Capital Works Program
- Gravel resheeting on local unsealed roads is continuing as per Council's Capital Works Program
- Heavy patching will continue on various local roads and regional roads
- Footpath construction western end Balfour Street,
 Culcairn to link town amenities with new subdivision
- Footpath construction Bowler and Swift Streets, Holbrook
- Walking track construction southern end, Burrumbuttock
- Drainage works and kerb installation eastern end Balfour Street, Culcairn including asphalt path and culvert connecting Federal Street to Fifield Close.
- Installation of an all ability swing in Adventure Playground at the Jindera Recreation Ground
- Street lighting installation at the intersection of Hueske Road and Urana Street. Jindera
- Drainage upgrade and kerb installation Dight Street, Jindera between Urana and Fallon Streets
- Stage 1 and 2 drainage upgrade and kerb replacement Swift St, Holbrook between 10 Mile Creek and Hume Street
- Flood mitigation works 10 Mile Park, Holbrook
- Natural disaster rectification works will continue on local and regional roads

Greater Hume Council Engineering Department now provide a weekly works schedule on our website, go to https://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/Living-in-Greater-Hume/Works-and-Projects to access.



Pic Coppabella Bridge along Coppabella Road

When Driving on our Country Roads

Beware of wildlife and stray livestock.

If you hit an animal first contact:

- Albury Police 02 6023 9299.
- then for Wildlife WIRES Albury area 0427 493 716 or 1300 094 737.
- and for Stray Livestock Greater Hume Ranger on 0427 556 659.

When driving farm machinery on public roads, harrows and other devices should be raised off the ground.

Lodge a Customer Request

Greater Hume Council does not use Snap Send Solve for Customer Requests.

Please either submit a Customer Request Forms via Greater Hume Council Website or email: mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au.

Capturing Greater Hume

Do you like to get out and about to capture Greater Hume? Would you like a chance to have your images featured on the Visit Greater Hume social media sites? I

If you answered yes, we'd love to hear from you.

Post your images to Facebook or Instagram with the tag <u>#visitGreaterHume</u>

Hairy Panic

Council often receives calls in regards to Hairy Panic.

Here are some tips to help control the spread of the grass before it starts blowing around -



- Slash or mow the grass to keep it from setting seed.
- Once it is blowing around you can use a blower to blow it out of yards/corners/veranda's etc where it may get caught.
- The grass can then be collected and taken to the tip, or put in rubbish bins.
- If it is wet down it is easier to handle/pick up.

drumMUSTER

drumMuster organises the safe disposal, collection and recycling of cleaned eligible non returnable crop production and on-farm animal health chemical containers.

Greater Hume Council Collections

May Dates

Culcairn and Holbrook - Thursday, 1 May 2025

Culcairn Waste Depot - 8:00 am until 2:00pm Holbrook Waste Depot - 8:00 am until 2:30pm

Henty and Burrumbuttock - Friday, 2 May 2025

Henty Transfer Station - 8:00 am until 11:00am Burrumbuttock Transfer Station - 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm

October Dates

Culcairn and Holbrook - Thursday, 2 October 2025

Culcairn Waste Depot - 8am until 2pm Holbrook Waste Depot - 8am until 2pm

Henty and Burrumbuttock - Friday, 3 October

Henty Transfer Station - 8am until 11am Burrumbuttock Transfer Station - 12pm until 2pm

For more information and bookings contact Council on T: 02 6036 0100.

Walla Walla Collections

There will a DrumMUSTER collection on the following Saturday from 9am -11am:

Saturday, 12 April 2025 Saturday, 14 June 2025 Saturday, 9 August 2025 Saturday, 11 October 2025

Collection point will be the old Walla Walla Tip site.

Please note - no metal containers, plastic containers only - 20 litres or smaller. All containers must be clean with no chemical residue and lids must be removed.

\$25 per 100 drums delivered goes to help upkeep of the Sports Ground.

Enquiries ring Alan Odewahn on T: 0428 292 248.



Regional Bus On Demand Service

The Regional Bus On Demand Service links the Greater Hume communities. The towns and villages being serviced are Albury, Burrumbuttock, Culcairn, Henty, Holbrook, Jindera, Morven, Gerogery, Gerogery West, Mullengandra, The Rock, Uranquinty, Wagga Wagga, Walla Walla and Woomargama.

Bookings are required, book via, phone or text 0448 353 281, www.regionalbuses.com.au or bookings@regionalbuses.com.au.

Contact Matt on 0447 354 357 for more information or find 'Regional Buses' on Facebook.



New Playground in Henty - Now Open!

Council is excited to announce that work has now been completed on new playground located at the Henty Recreation Grounds, right next to the netball courts.

This playground, including swings, a climbing structure and slide, is now open to adventures young and old to use.

Council can't wait for all our young adventurers to enjoy the new playground!



Your Libraries

Seniors Week Festival 2025 -**Paint and Platter**

Enjoy a FREE event at the Greater Hume Libraries filled with creativity, fun and laughter!

Join us for a guided painting activity with Georgia Keogh from The Paint Yard while indulging in delicious platters.

Bookings are essential, to secure your spot today call 02 6036 0100.

Culcairn Library -

Tuesday, 4 March @ 9.30am

Holbrook Library -

Thursday, 6 March @ 9.30am

Jindera Library –

Tuesday, 11 March @ 9.30am

Henty Library -

Thursday, 13 March @ 2pm

Library Contacts

Culcairn: T 02 6036 0100

A: 40 Balfour Street

Henty: T 02 6036 0100

A: 32 Sladen Street

Holbrook: T 02 6036 0100

A: Library Lane

Jindera: T 02 6036 0100

A: Jindera Community Hub

Customer Relations Coordinator:

T 02 6036 0100

mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au

Come join us for Storytime!

Did you know that we run storytime at each of our four libraries?

Bring the kids along to a library near you for a fun filled story and craft session!

Holbrook Library - 11am on -

Thursday, 13 March, Thursday, 27 March,

Thursday, 10 April,

Thursday, 8 May,

Thursday, 22 May,

Thursday, 12 June,

Thursday, 26 June

Culcairn Library - 10am on -

Thursday, 13 March,

Thursday, 10 April,

Thursday, 15 May,

Thursday, 12 June

Henty Library - 2pm on -

Thursday, 27 March,

Thursday, 27 April

Jindera Library - 10am on -

Wednesday, 19 March,

Wednesday, 16 April,

Wednesday, 21 May,

Wednesday, 18 June

Did you know?

Your Riverina Regional Library membership card allows you to borrow books from any of our libraries?

If your local library does not have a copy of one of the titles you need to complete your challenge, you can request it from another library for a small fee of \$1.00.

Social Media Pages



@ Greater Hume Council Libraries



#ghc libraries

Easter Craft - April School Holidays

Come and enjoy an Easter Craft activity at one our libraries during the next school holidays for \$2 -

Holbrook Library –

Wednesday 16 April @ 10am

Culcairn Library -

Wednesday 16 April @ 11am

Jindera Library -

Thursday 17 April @ 10am

Henty Library -

Thursday 17 April @ 1pm

To book your spot call: 02 6036 0100.

Coming Soon: Borrow Box Help for Seniors

Would you like to learn how to borrow eBooks and eAudiobooks free from your library using the BorrowBox app?

One on one sessions coming soon!

Keep an eye on our socials and posters at your local library for more information.

What can you borrow from Greater Hume Libraries?

Item Type	Maximum Number of Items	Loan Period	Maximum Number of Renewals
General Library Item	30	In Total 28 Days	2 x 14 Day renewals
eResouces	Vendor Specific		

Greater Hume Children Services - Family Day Care

Family Day Care Hits the Ground Running in 2025

As we step into 2025, Family Day Care is flourishing, with new educators joining our growing team. This year promises to be an exciting one, as more families seek the personalised and intimate environment that Family Day Care offers for their children.

Welcoming New Educators

We are thrilled to welcome several new educators who bring passion, experience, and innovative ideas to our Family Day Care community. Each educator is dedicated to creating a nurturing, home-like setting where children can thrive. Their diverse backgrounds and unique approaches will enhance our program, offering a range of enriching experiences tailored to meet each child's developmental needs.



The Appeal of Smaller Group Settings

For many families, the smaller group sizes in Family Day Care provide a sense of comfort and security. This setting allows for individualised attention, fostering strong bonds between children and their educators. Parents appreciate the personal connection and the ability to closely collaborate with educators to support their child's growth and development.

The intimate environment also encourages children to form close friendships, building social skills and creating a supportive peer network. With fewer children in each group, educators can tailor their teaching strategies to cater to individual learning styles and interests, ensuring that each child receives the attention and guidance they need to excel.

A Rewarding Career Path

Choosing a career as a Family Day Care educator is not only personally fulfilling but also financially rewarding. Educators enjoy the flexibility of working from home while making a meaningful difference in the lives of young learners. The opportunity to create a warm, inclusive atmosphere where children feel valued and inspired is a driving force for many in this profession.

Additionally, the demand for quality childcare continues to grow, providing stability and opportunities for professional development. With the support of our vibrant community and access to ongoing training, educators are well-equipped to provide exceptional care and education.

Join Our Community

As Family Day Care continues to expand in 2025, we invite families and aspiring educators to explore the benefits of this unique approach to early childhood education. Whether you're looking for a nurturing environment for your child or considering a rewarding career path, Family Day Care offers a supportive and enriching experience for all involved.

For more information on joining our Family Day Care community or enrolling your child in one of our programs,

Greater Hume
Children
Services
Your Family, Our Home_Naturally

please contact us today. Together, let's make 2025 a year of growth, learning, and cherished memories.

A Quick Guide to the Development Application Process

A Development Application (DA) is a formal application submitted to your local consent authority (Council) for permission to carry out a new development. This could be as simple as building a new pool and deck, tree removal, constructing a garage or carport, dual occupancy and subdivisions. The requirement for a DA is to protect the interests of those who may be affected by the proposed development. As a rule, the bigger the project, the more likely it will be to impact more people and the environment around it, such as heritage, social impacts, noise levels, waste etc.

A formal Development Application needs to be submitted for any development projects that have specifications outside of the standard policies and criteria. Documents that are required to be submitted with the Development Application can be found on Councils Website.

Other Considerations and Costs

Building a home or undertaking a development project can be expensive. In your budget you should consider all potential additional costs which may apply to your development. These could include:

- The DA fee.
- The construction certificate fee and fees incurred in the building process, including for inspections and engineer's certificates.
- Development contributions payable for State and/or Local Government services
- Conditions that may be imposed by Council such as bonds to cover damage to roads, environmental clean ups, or dilapidation surveys of attached properties.
- Water and other service connections.

Be sure to contact your local Council if you wish to learn more about other potential costs.

Step-By-Step Through a Development Application Approval Process

While there are many small components and stages to submitting a Development Application, having a checklist that you can refer to will help you stay on top of things. The main points include

1. Concept Stage

During this stage you should be determining what you want your development to become and achieve and consult with your team and neighbours. You will also need to get informed during this stage about which applications you need to submit. It is during this stage that consulting with a Council or a private consultant is recommended.

2. Preparing your DA

The type of information that accompanies a DA will vary depending on your proposal and site – when you speak to your Council, preferably at the pre-lodgement stage, you will be advised of their information requirements. This may include: Architectural Plans, Owners Consent, and Statement of Environmental Effects.

3. Lodgement

Once your DA has been prepared and has been submitted via the NSW Planning Portal and you have paid the applicable Council fees for your development your application will then be reviewed by Council and if no further information is required, your DA may be notified to neighbours adjoining your property.

4. Assessment

Your DA is now ready to be assessed by a Council Officer. The Officer will undertake an assessment of your proposal and may request additional information in order to complete their assessment. If required, the DA may be internally referred to another Council department for comment.

5. Determination

If your DA is supported by Council, you will be granted consent for development. If your DA is unsuccessful, you may request that the Council review the determination, or you may lodge an appeal to the Land & Environment Court.

Looking for a Grant or Funding?

The Greater Hume Council is excited to provide the 'Greater Hume Grant Finder' to all local businesses, community groups, not-for-profits and individuals. This site provides a comprehensive list of grant and funding opportunities available to you. Our free service means you will never miss a grant opportunity again.

Register to receive emailed alerts for new grants, save your favourites and access tips to help you apply for grants.

The Greater Hume Council is proud to partner with GrantGuru to provide you with this service. See our Top Tips if you need additional help.

Grant News!

Projects in 2024 funded by the Stronger Country Communities Round 5 grant are all now completed with just the Holbrook Dog Park to have the water stations, seating and dog playground installed. This hasn't stopped people from taking advantage of the now fenced area for their four legged friends to have a run and test out the space.

Grant funding applications have been submitted for several exciting projects within the area for the coming year... stay tuned for announcements of successful outcomes!

Support your Local Business and Region

Our #HASH TAG'S

When posting on social media please remember to add one or all of the following #hash tag's so we can show how great our region is to our friends and family all over Australia and the world.



#visitgreaterhume

#(town name or village name, eg brocklesby, burrumbuttock, culcairn, gerogery, henty, holbrook, jindera, morven, walbundrie, walla walla, woomargama)







Support our Businesses

- Shop Local
- · Buy gift cards or order online.
- · Tell your friends and family
- Show your Love Leave a review for a business where you enjoyed a meal/service and the staff looked after you with care and attention. It's easy to leave a review or rating on Google, Trip Advisor or Facebook.

Firewood Collection Permits

As we are heading into the cooler months of the year it is time to start thinking about our wood supplies to keep those home fires burning.

Residents of Greater Hume Council area can obtain a permit which allows them to collect fallen timber (felling of trees is not permitted) for personal use from selected roadside verges with in the Council area.

The permit is valid for a period of up to 12 months and can be obtained by downloading from our website, https://shorturl.at/ijmW1 or contacting via phone, 02 6036 0100 your nearest Greater Hume Council Customer Relations Centre, following payment of the appropriate administration fee and proof of residency with in Greater Hume Council area.



Greater Hume Road Closure and Incident Notifications - NSW Live Traffic

Greater Hume Council are now placing all road closures and other road incidents on the NSW Live Traffic website. This is in line with other NSW Councils to ensure that there is one central information point for residents and travellers.

As a result the 'Current Road and Facility Closures' page on the Greater Hume Council website will no longer be updated.

NSW Live Traffic can be accessed here - https://www.livetraffic.com/.

While every attempt will be made to ensure that the information is up to date on this site, there may be a delay in updating the information, please always drive to the conditions of the road.

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 now 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.

What's On (page 4) for Council meeting dates.

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