

## Minutes

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- Date:** Monday, 19 August 2024
- Time:** 7 pm to 9 pm
- Venue:** Manna Gum Rooms 1 & 2, Civic Centre, Greensborough and via Zoom
- Chair:** Cr Geoff Paine
- Minute taker:** Sarah Hammond, Arts Program Officer
- Committee Members:** Leanne Ipsen, Rebecca Davies\*, Elsa Ch'ng\*, Terrie Waddell, Jean Verso, Chloe Mann\*, Simone Thompson\*, Cassie May, Sandra Miller, Sammaneh Pourshafighi\*
- Other:** Corrienne Nichols (Director Communities)\*, Nichole Johnson (Manager Community Partnerships), Saleh Hadi (Coordinator Arts & Cultural Development), Sarah Hammond (Arts Program Officer), Jacqueline Felstead (Curator & Collections Management Officer), Ignacio Zamora (Arts Development Officer).  
**Nillumbik Art Museum (NAM) Committee Members:** Barry Pearce, Nicole Bowler, and Nicole Stavelly
- Apologies:** Alli Spoor (Committee Member), Chris Cook (Committee Member), Mel Paine (Committee Member), Yu Fang Chi (Committee Member), Renee Cosgrave (Exhibitions Support Officer), Emily Wubben (Curator & Collections Management Officer).

### Order of business

#### 1. Attendees

Attendance and apologies were confirmed.

#### 2. Acknowledgement of Country

Acknowledgement of Country was read by Cr Paine.

#### 3. Welcome and Introductions

Chair welcomed all in attendance.

#### 4. Conflict of Interest and Informal Meeting of Councillors Record

No conflicts of interest were recorded.

**ACTION:** To submit an Informal Meeting of Councillors Record to Governance.

## 5. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 20 May 2024 were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

*Moved: Leanne Ipsen*

*Seconded: Terrie Waddell*

*Carried*

## 6. Matters Arising

- **Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee**

The new 2024-26 committee members will be present at the next meeting.

- **Acquisitions**

All acquisitions reported at the last meeting have been completed.

- **Nillumbik Art Museum Committee (NAM)**

The NAM Group are presenting at this meeting.

## 7. Nillumbik Art Museum Committee (NAM) Presentation

NAM presented to the committee on the following:

- NAM Committee background and overview.
- Preferred site for the NAM - 895 Main Road, Eltham.
- Vision for NAM.
- Proposed architectural design of NAM, discussion of inclusions and individual design elements.
- Where to from here.
- [www.nillumbikartmuseum.com](http://www.nillumbikartmuseum.com)
- Discussion followed the presentation, at the end of which the NAM group was recommended to present to the new Council in early 2025.

## 8. Arts & Cultural Development Updates *(See attached copy presentation)*

- **Creative Infrastructure Framework Implementation Plan**

The Creative Infrastructure Framework was endorsed by Council on 30 April 2024. Council is now in the implementation phase which includes the following considerations:

- Survey and feasibility studies with relevant Council Departments
- Technical (identifying key sites)
- Accessibility
- Structural
- Placement/connection within the urban fabric

- Financial

An overview of the overarching principles and strategy directions was given.

- **Visual and Civic Collection and Public Art Policies 2023-2026**

Endorsed by Council on 28 May 2024.

## 9. Officer Updates (See attached copy presentation)

- **Eltham Library Community Gallery & Socials**

- An exhibition by Araluen, *Places of Curiosity and Discovery*, will be shown from 23 August – 29 September. The exhibition celebrates Araluen's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The official opening is Friday, 23 August.
- Artists for the 2025 ELCG Exhibition Program have been selected, subject to Council approval. Thanks were extended to ACAC members who were involved in the assessment and selection panels. Applicants will be notified shortly and the exhibition program will be promoted later in the year.

- **Arts Development – Public Art**

- The public artwork at Diamond Hills Preschool, *Tread Gently Together* by Tim Reid has been completed. Project Presentation - 20 June 2024, Preschool Unveiling - 9 August 2024.
- Heidelberg School of Artists Heritage Signs – six new signs replaced old ones in key Eltham locations: Alistair Knox Park (3 signs), Wingrove Park (2 signs), and Eltham Town (1 sign).
- Public Art Webpage – this page has been redesigned and is now live. It is more visually appealing and includes details of each artwork, a gallery, interactive map, and a conservation and heritage section. <https://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/Explore/Arts-and-culture/Art-collections/Public-art>

- **Arts Programs**

- Nillumbik Artists in Residence Program 2024-25 – Two artists commenced in July 2024. Dylan Negri, Visual Artist at Edendale Farm and Annabelle Hale, Literary Artist at Eltham Library. Residencies include a grant, an allocated creative space or studio and artist support. Community engagement and participation is a focus of these residencies and the delivery of a minimum of 4 community sessions is a requirement. Full profiles on the artists can be found on the website – see below link.
- Nillumbik Artist in Residence Program – Youth Hub – applications are open and close on 29 August 2024. The residency is located at the new Nillumbik Youth Hub in Diamond Creek located at 32-34 Elizabeth Street, Diamond Creek. The program includes a grant, access to studio/research/storage spaces, promotion and artist support. There are two components to the Youth Hub residency – (1) Delivery of an external mural at the Youth Hub involving a completed artwork and a series of community workshops for young people for and with the Nillumbik Youth Hub, and (2) Progression of the artist's creative practice through the provision of funding, space and resources to enable them to take the next steps in their artistic development and/or to create new work. [Artist-in-Residence-Program](#)

- **Curator and Collections Management**

- Nillumbik Prize for Contemporary Art 2025 – Entries open on 30 August 2024 and close on 30 October 2024. The Prize is open to artists across Australia, working in any medium. This year artworks do not need to address a theme and artists can submit only one artwork. There are four monetary prizes: Open Prize: \$20,000, Local Prize: \$10,000, Mayor's Award: \$500 and People's Choice Award: \$500
- New Acquisitions:
  - Donation from Kahn Frankie in memory of Bette Frankie and Carl Frankie of an artwork by Turkey Tolson Tjupurrula, *Two Snakes Dreaming, Sometimes Men, Sometimes Snakes* 1984, acrylic. Turkey Tolson is a celebrated Pintupi-speaking Western Desert artist. His work is collected by national institutions. Acquisition of this artwork aligns with the priority acquisition areas. The curators are working through all the protocols for accessioning a First Nations artwork into the collection.
  - Donation from Kahn Frankie in memory of Bette Frankie and Carl Frankie of three separate artworks by renowned artists David Moore (two artworks) (circa 1973) and Alan Martin (one artwork).

ACTION: Acquisition documents to be circulated (Curator & Collections Management Officers).

  - RAP Digital Artwork. The curators are working with the Social Planning and Equity Team on the acquisition of a digital artwork by First Nations artists to commemorate the Reconciliation Action Plan. This work will be accessioned into the Shire of Nillumbik Visual Art Collection.
- Loans:
  - 9 November 2024 – 15 June 2025, Art Gallery of New South Wales – Nusra Latif Qureshi - *Remnant Blessings -1*, 2020, acrylic, graphite, gouache and gold on illustration board 32 x 43 cm and *Candy Crush 1*, 2018, gouache, ink and gold on illustration board 18 x 25 cm.
  - 22 June – 7 September, Bundoora Homestead – Siri Hayes, *Toxic Haze* 2023 photogram 160 x 76cm.

## 10. ACAC Member Presentations

No presentations

## 11. ACAC Outgoing Members

The Chair thanked the outgoing 2022-24 ACAC members for their contribution to Arts & Culture in Nillumbik: Leanne Ipsen, Rebecca Davies, Alli Spoor, Chris Cook, Elsa Ch'ng, Terrie Waddell, Mel Paine, Jean Verso, Chloe Mann. It was noted that the new 2024-26 ACAC members would be present at the next meeting along with the current 2023-25 members.

The outgoing Chair was also thanked for his support, advocacy and contribution to ACAC over the past four years.

## **12. Other Business**

- **Local Events**

- Eltham Arts Show – a great exhibition delivered.
- Wattle Festival – Sunday, 25 August. Participatory art activity at Hurstbridge Hub and the music stage at the hub precinct are being supported by Arts & Cultural Development. Lots of things to see and do including information on the historical societies.
- Warrandyte Historical Society AGM, Sunday 25 August.
- Diamond Creek, What's Changed over the Years – Age articles.
- Stoneygrad property in Warrandyte, built by renowned artist, Danila Vassilieff, is for sale. Danila Vassilieff was the father of Australian Modernism.

## **13. Next meeting date and location**

Date to be confirmed. Likely early 2025.

## **14. Close**

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

# Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee

## MINUTES



- Date:** Thursday 20 March 2025
- Time:** 10am to 12pm
- Venue:** Macey Room, Edendale Community Farm, 32 Gastons Rd, Eltham 3095
- Chair:** Cr Kelly Joy
- Minute taker:** Nichole Johnson, Manager, Community Partnerships
- Attendees:** Cr Kelly Joy,  
Cr Brooker,  
Corrienne Nichols,  
Nichole Johnson,  
Cassie Zurek,  
healthAbility (Eliza Pitson),  
healthAbility (Julia Bilton),  
Women's Health in the North (Megan Elias),  
Belgravia Leisure (Matt Weisheit),  
Aligned Leisure (Jackie Babington),  
Yarra Plenty Regional Libraries (Natalie Bittner),  
Gambler's Help (Banyule Community Health,  
now Holstep Health) (Missy Ali),  
Community representative - Deanna Finn,  
Alana Marsh (unexpectedly for part of meeting only)
- Apologies:** Diamond Valley Community Support (Jeff Hallyburton),  
NEPHU (North Eastern Public Health Unit) (Jo Mithen),  
Community representative (Ann Hutchinson),  
Victoria Police (Anthony O'Connor and/or Jamie Griffin),  
Austin Health (no staff member assigned),  
Department of Health (no staff member assigned),  
Community member - Jules Jay

	Item	Who	Action
1.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Acknowledgement of Country</li><li>- Inclusion Statement</li><li>- Housekeeping</li><li>- Getting to know one another</li><li>- Conflict of interest – No conflict</li></ul>	Cr Joy	
2.	<b>Previous actions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Cassie to send out Terms of Reference – complete (attached to email)</li><li>- Cassie to invite all members to Health and Wellbeing Profile Workshop – completed (workshop delivered 11/02/2025)</li><li>- All members – assist with promotion of community engagement – in progress</li></ul>	Cr Joy	
3.	<b>Update</b>	Cassie	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Timeline reviewed (see PowerPoint presentation) and outline of where we are at with the development of the MPHWP.</li> <li>- 11 Factsheets (snapshot and accessible) and Community Profile now live and on our website: <a href="#">Health and Wellbeing Plan - Nillumbik Shire Council</a></li> <li>- Community Engagement progress – 589 people completed survey and currently and this is currently being analysed by a third party</li> <li>- Pop ups – we reached 560 people in Eltham, Diamond Creek and Hurstbridge</li> <li>- Targeted engagement phase 2 –</li> <li>- Voting activity – over 200 people have participated</li> <li>- Visited primary school and local services and community groups</li> <li>- Visited 5 Advisory committees as part of engagement</li> <li>- Change of endorsement date to September in line with the endorsement of the Council Plan.</li> <li>- Health and Wellbeing Partnership Forum</li> <li>- Wurundjeri – exploring opportunities to book a regional cultural consultation, perhaps to be held on Country (TBC)</li> </ul>	
4.	<p><b>Findings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- See PowerPoint for the input for determining the Priority Areas and all areas below:</li> <li>- Community Engagement</li> <li>- Health and Wellbeing Profile</li> <li>- Policy and legislative context</li> <li>- Evaluation – looking at strengths, learnings and challenges</li> </ul>	Cassie
5.	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Determining the Priority Areas – Cassie shared their workings to date which has supported in determining health priority recommendations. Proposal based on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Data and evidence (Health and Wellbeing Profile)</li> <li>o Community Engagement findings (including engagement with community, partners, Councillors and staff)</li> <li>o Policy context (including review of over 25 strategic plans and policies of partners and state and federal government)</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Conversations held around some of the priority areas such as the data, mental health, training and employment.</li> <li>- Discussion regarding anti-social behaviour (mental health issues) at a number of services and the need to focus on training for staff who are not social workers – importance of gender lens in looking at the issues</li> <li>- Discussion Public Health approaches (see PowerPoint) – how do these approaches look?</li> <li>- Proposed Priority areas – six priority areas (see PowerPoint): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improving mental wellbeing and social connection</li> <li>2. Preventing discrimination and violence</li> <li>3. Increasing active living</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<p>Cassie</p> <p>Consider applying a systems thinking approach</p> <p>Consider developing an appendix or ‘plan on a page’, so it is accessible and disability and ageing priority populations can identify themselves, and use an opportunity.</p> <p>Add a statement about where and how partners contribute to the MPHWP</p> <p>Cas will share community engagement findings related to partners work</p>

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	<p>4. Improving food systems  5. Reducing harm from alcohol, drugs, vaping and gambling  6. Advocating for access to housing and services</p> <p>Is this aligning with your priorities as an organisation:  - Yes definitely reflects the issues that is coming up  - Increasing active living is something Aligned are focused on  - Question from WHIN around increasing the focus on CALD communities, especially for active living</p> <p>Are we happy to support? Yes was the consensus from all in attendance to endorse</p> <p>Next steps:  Partnership forum 1 April 2025</p>		
6.	<p><b>Thank you and Close</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Next meeting, date and location change:</li> <li>- Friday 9 May, 10am-12pm, location TBC (hopefully Hurstbridge Community Hub)</li> </ul>	Cr Joy	