



Hindmarsh Shire Council

Hindmarsh Pride Committee Meeting

18 April 2026

To Committee Members,
“as addressed”

A General Meeting of **Hindmarsh Pride Committee** of Hindmarsh Shire Council was held via Teams on 15 April 2026 commencing at 7.00 pm.

MINUTES

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chair acknowledged the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagalk Nations as Traditional Owners of Country.

We recognised the important ongoing role that Indigenous people have in our community and pay our respects to their Elders, past and present.

2 ATTENDEES:

Petra Croot (DC&CS, PC); Cr Chan Uoy (CU); Rhys Webb (RW); Craige Proctor (CP).

3 APOLOGIES:

Wiremu Lems Larkins (LL); Mark Fletcher (ED&T, HSC)

4 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil declared.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Hindmarsh Pride Committee Meeting held on 4 March 2026 via Teams circulated to Committee Members be taken as read and confirmed.

Moved: CU

Seconded: CP

CARRIED

6 CORRESPONDENCE - Nil

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

Topic	Discussion
<p>ChillOut Festival 8 March Review</p>	<p>RW: Feedback was very positive with comments from more than 180 people. Many were surprised that HSC flies the Rainbow Flag every day. Pam Cramer interested in joining this committee. CU: perhaps we need a headcount system when engaging with people or collect postcodes from enquirers. RW: Council should be advised that Hindmarsh region needs a presence at more of these events. PC: it was a relatively low-cost event due to personnel volunteering their time; ticket sales were the greatest cost. Recommendation for future events: having a teardrop banner and a gazebo with a slogan for the region. Action: PC to liaise with Pam Cramer.</p>
<p>Harmony Day 28 March Review</p>	<p>RW: the event exceeded expectations; a 100% success story; big thanks to all; very positive feedback from the community; moving to a different venue was a good thing; it was good to incorporate all cultures and having innovative events; CU: the inclusivity element worked very well and Wanda's involvement provided a different dimension and allowed for a cultural fusion. Thanks to Nan Da San and Tracey for their involvement. Recommendations for future events: providing a changing area for participants and promoting BYO chairs/mats/picnic. 2027: date needs to avoid clashes.</p>
<p>Pride Month Planning June</p>	<p>Nhill CWA has expressed reservations about the Mad Hatters event. Could it be a combined effort/partnering? CU: could we approach Wimmera Pride for partnering? Which grants or funding do they have access to? CU will liaise with Dimboola CWA re dates. What would work for Lots of Laughter? 6 June a possible date? CU: the event would be a litmus test for the community. Actions: CU follow up with Dimboola CWA and reach out to Wimmera Pride PC: touch base with Lots of Laughter; does Lachie have anything planned in June which we could piggy back on?</p>
<p>WWHS Community Health and Wellbeing Grants</p>	<p>Up to \$10,000 is available for events connected to health and wellbeing outcomes. Grants are open to anyone in West Wimmera catchment area with acquittal being within 12 months. Can we as a committee think of anything? Applications close 22 May. We can have an interim meeting during RW's absence if need be. Action: PC to contact Jake Wiffen at WWHS to determine committee's eligibility.</p>

8 FINANCE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

Not applicable.

9 NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday 20 May 2026, 7.00 p.m. via Teams

10 MEETING CLOSED 7.55 p.m.

COUNCIL OFFICER AUTHORISATION

I, Petra Croot, accept the following recommendations made by the Hindmarsh Pride Committee at this meeting held on 15 April 2026:

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	DECISION
5	Minutes	Minutes taken as read and confirmed.

SIGNED: 

Dated: 20 April 2026