

# Our council

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On 24 October 2020, our community elected 11 councillors to represent them. These councillors are elected from 3 wards across our municipality: North-West Ward, North-East Ward and South Ward.

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## Councillors

Every 4 years, our residents and ratepayers elect our councillors. Together our councillors make decisions in the interests of the whole municipality. The next election is in 2024.

The councillors elect a mayor and a deputy mayor each year. In November 2021, Council elected Cr Mark Riley as Mayor and Cr Lambros Tapinos as Deputy Mayor. They will hold these offices until November 2022.

An essential representative role that councillors play is participating in a range of committees or groups. These include:

- committees established by Council (advisory committees)
- peak bodies or sector associations
- local and regional forums.

Some councillors are appointed by Council to take the lead in areas of interest, as the 'councillor responsible for' roles. They make sure key information is available to Council when decisions are made in these areas.

Our Councillors for the 2021-22 year were:

### North-East Ward

Councillor Sue Bolton  
Councillor Annalivia Carli Hannan  
Councillor Helen Pavlidis-Mihalakos  
Councillor Adam Pulford

### North-West Ward

Councillor Helen Davidson  
Councillor Angelica Panopoulos  
Councillor Oscar Yildiz JP  
Councillor Milad El-Halabi JP (resigned 10 February 2022)  
Councillor Monica Harte (elected 23 March 2022)

### South Ward

Councillor James Conlan  
Councillor Mark Riley  
Councillor Lambros Tapinos

## Councillors, committees and responsibilities

All councillors are members of the Chief Executive Officer Employment Matters Advisory Committee and the Communications and Engagement Councillor Group.

### Mayor, Cr Mark Riley



Elected to Council in 2016 and 2020, elected Deputy Mayor in 2018 and 2020, and elected Mayor in 2021

**Advisory committees:** Audit and Risk Committee, Coburg Square Oversight Committee, Saxon Street Oversight Committee, Brunswick Advisory Group, Moreland Community Recognition Committee, Moreland Arts Advisory Committee

**External committees:** Friends of Aileu Community Committee, Metropolitan Local Governments' Waste Forum, Municipal Association of Victoria, Northern Councils Alliance

**Councillor responsible for:** Arts and culture

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### Deputy Mayor, Cr Lambros Tapinos



Elected to Council in 2008, 2012, 2016 and 2020, elected Mayor in 2008, 2013 and 2019, and elected Deputy Mayor in 2021

**Advisory committees:** Brunswick Advisory Group, Saxon Street Oversight Committee, Age-Friendly (Older People) Reference Group

**External committees:** CERES (Board)

**Councillor responsible for:** Urban planning

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### **Cr Sue Bolton**



Elected to Council in 2012, 2016 and 2020

**Advisory committees:** Coburg Advisory Group, Human Rights and Inclusion Committee, First Nations Advisory Committee, Affordable Housing Reference Group, Disability Reference Group

**Councillor responsible for:** Human rights

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### **Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan**



Elected to Council in 2016 and 2020 and elected Mayor in 2020

**Advisory committees:** Coburg Advisory Group, Coburg Square Oversight Committee

**External committees:** Northern Councils Alliance (substitute)

**Councillor responsible for:** Early years, and older persons

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### **Cr James Conlan**



Elected to Council in 2020

**Advisory committees:** Brunswick Advisory Group, First Nations Advisory Committee, Sustainable Transport Advisory Committee, Saxon Street Oversight Committee

**External committees:** Merri Creek Management Committee, Metropolitan Transport Forum

**Councillor responsible for:** Transport and getting around

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### **Cr Helen Davidson**



Elected to Council in 2012, 2016 and 2020 and elected Mayor in 2016

**Advisory committees:** Glenroy Advisory Group, Moreland Community Recognition Committee

**External committees:** Nil

**Councillor responsible for:** Sport and recreation, and women

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### **Cr Milad El-Halabi JP**



Elected to Council in 2020 (resigned on 10 February 2022)

**Advisory committees:** Glenroy Advisory Group

**Councillor responsible for:** Transport and getting around

### **Cr Monica Harte**



Elected to Council in 2022.

**Advisory committees:** Glenroy Advisory Group

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### **Cr Angelica Panopoulos**



Elected to Council in 2020

**Advisory committees:** Audit and Risk Committee, Environmental Sustainability Advisory, Glenroy Advisory Group, Human Rights and Inclusion Committee, Gender Equality Reference Group

**Councillor responsible for:** Climate and nature, economic development, human rights, multiculturalism, urban planning, and young people

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### **Cr Helen Pavlidis-Mihalakos**



Elected to Council in 2020

**Advisory committees:** Coburg Advisory Group, Coburg Square Oversight Committee, Moreland Community Recognition Committee, Age-Friendly (Older People) Reference Group

**Councillor responsible for:** Multiculturalism, older persons, and women

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### **Cr Adam Pulford**



Elected to Council in 2020

**Advisory committees:** Audit and Risk Committee, Coburg Advisory Group, Coburg Square Oversight Committee, LGBTIQ+ Reference Group

**External committees:** Municipal Association of Victoria (substitute), Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA) Executive

**Councillor responsible for:** Climate and nature, and human rights

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### **Cr Oscar Yildiz JP**



Elected to Council in 2008, 2012, 2016 and 2020 and elected Mayor in 2010, 2012 and 2014. Elected Deputy Mayor in 2019.

**Advisory committees:** Glenroy Advisory Group

**External committees:** Nil

**Councillor responsible for:** Sport and recreation

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