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No model can be supported based on the current growth projections of Hume or Sunbury.

Since its amalgamation into Hume City Council. Sunbury residents have been fighting for it to be a properly recognised by Hume City council, but under the recommendations Sunbury will drop from 3 representatives to 2 single councillor wards, while other areas will still maintain their advantage over Sunbury with 4 single councillor wards, per area, taking even more power from Sunbury residents to get the much-needed infrastructure and fair go of rate spend.

Any model needs to suggest 12 single councillor wards with 3 covering the Sunbury region and the creation of a new Tullamarine Ward

Sunbury is at the start of this growth projection with population growth of 103% over 20 years. In 2031 based on population growth the suggested Calder and Mouth Holden wards would have double the electors of the panels current data, further demonstrating the need of an additional ward being created. Considering the growth expected specifically in the Calder ward it could exceed the populations of Roxburgh Park, Merlynston Creek and Broadmeadows combined.

2026	2031	2036	2041
48,851	57,294	70,475	86,640

Sunbury needs more representation, not less.