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City of Albany moves towards solar power

The City of Albany will make significant reductions in its carbon footprint by installing large solar power systems at its facilities.

The roof of the City's North Road Administration Building will soon be home to 120 solar panels which could be able to provide up to 20 per cent of the daily energy requirements of the building.

A system comprising 60 solar panels will also be installed at Albany Regional Day Care Centre which is expected to cover approximately 100 per cent of its energy requirements.

At its December meeting, Council resolved to proceed with these two projects and also adopt a forward plan with a view to implementing the solar panel program in future years at other City of Albany facilities such as Albany Public Library and Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre.

City of Albany Mayor Dennis Wellington said the program aligned with the City's key strategic objective 'to be Clean, Green and Sustainable'.

Mr Wellington said the solar panels would provide significant environmental benefits and would reduce energy consumption costs.

As part of this initiative, the City will also investigate other methods of reducing energy consumption such as heating, ventilation and air-conditioning assessments and LED lighting options.

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