



CITY OF ALBANY CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION DECLARATION

The City of Albany acknowledge the collaboration with the Youth Advisory Council in the development of this Climate Change Action Declaration.

THE CITY OF ALBANY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT:

- Climate change is occurring and requires immediate and urgent action.
- Climate change will continue to have significant effects on the Albany environment, society and economy.
- Local government play an important role in eliminating, or where not possible significantly reducing carbon emission.

THE CITY OF ALBANY SUPPORTS THE:

- Environmental, social and economic benefits of addressing climate change immediately.
- Development of State and Federal policies for climate change action.
- Climate change and sustainability initiatives that have already been achieved in the energy efficiencies and renewable, transport, water, environment and waste areas in line with the City of Albany Community Strategic Plan and the Carbon Footprint Reduction Strategy.

THE CITY OF ALBANY COMMITS TO:

- Measuring and reporting on our corporate and community greenhouse gas emissions, and developing emission reduction targets.
- Developing a Corporate Energy Plan that aims to transition the City's assets to renewable energy to achieve 100% renewable energy by 2030.
- Advocating to State and Federal government to implement key climate change actions in line with international agreements to access regionally specific opportunities.
- Undertake a review of strategic plans and strategies to ensure that climate change actions reflect climate change management priorities.
- Developing a climate change communication strategy to effectively engage, encourage and empower the Albany community on climate change actions.
- Continued engagement with young people and Youth Advisory Council as the next generation of community leaders on climate change.
- Reviewing the Climate Change Action Declaration every two years to ensure that climate actions identified within the declaration are undertaken.

SIGNED:

Mayor of Albany Dennis Wellington

DATE: 27 October 2020