

Draft Darebin Community Climate Change Action Plan - summary of comments received via attendees at public meetings and direct submissions (phone, email, letter) and survey responses on the website.

Summary of Public Feedback Promotion:

- * Sustainability News article
- * Media release (not covered)
- * Mayors message - Leader Newspaper
- * Email through networks including those that attended focus groups, Leaders Forum etc
- * Advertisement Leader Newspaper
- * Darebin website
- * Traders Associations

Summary of Responses

- * 11 attendees at public meetings (most heard via the Leader Newspaper)
- * 10 responses via email / hardcopy / phone
- * 35 responses via web survey
- * 56 responses in total

Summary of Feedback and recommendations for amending the draft Plan highlighted.

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Target				
Web survey respondents	32 (91%)	Satisfied with Zero Net Emissions Target		
Submissions via email, phone, letter	6	Support 100% target. Leadership - get more action via a stretch target. We are a wealthy country and should show leadership. Correlates with level of change necessary to avoid worst impacts of Climate Change. Submissions include a letter of support		No change to proposed Zero Net Emissions target

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		from Darebin Climate Action Now.		
Attendees of Public Meetings	~10	General support for 100% reduction target - with some also supporting interim targets.		
Darebin Climate Action Now		Letter of support and congratulations to the Mayor for the Zero Net Emissions target proposal which reflects the science of what is required to avoid the worst impacts of climate change.		
Web survey respondents	3 (9%)	Not supportive. 1 of these preferred more than zero. Others prefer realistic targets / Darebin can't have any affect on anything at all.		
Submissions via email, phone, letter	2.	Support Rudd's 5% target - we need to wait and see what problem nations do. Impossible to get to zero. Support realistic achievable targets		
Public Meetings	3	Need interim targets that are more achievable so progress can be tracked. This could be done at a later stage if not possible now.	Interim targets useful to ensure progress and communicate status. Currently difficult to monitor progress due to lack of actual Darebin data - an ongoing advocacy issue.	Include assessment of setting interim targets in first review in 2011/12
Transport				
		Local buses that connect with transport routes that are flexible and can be called for local pick ups.		Forward all transport related suggestions to Darebin's Transport Management and Planning branch for consideration.
		Free community bike and/or electric buggy use - and drop off at designated spots as per Europe etc.		
		Scope and promote alternative fuels for local buses eg Ventura bus company running on a sugar-cane ethanol blend.		
		South Morang extension - run a rail bus service in lieu of rail until rail line established.		

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		Shuttle bus service (every ten minutes) on weekdays and Saturdays, running point-to-point from shopping strips and centres in Darebin		
		Public transport timetables at all public venues and schools in Darebin.		
		Lobby state government for better public transport - it's woeful in many parts of this council area.		
		Transport is an important sector firstly because of growth corridors having no public transport in place, public transport must be developed before residents, with peak oil imminent, many people will be impacted by fuel price increases, particularly the high number of disadvantaged residents within Darebin.		
		Transport support and lobby for PT extensions - Epping train line to extend to Mernda (huge growth area), duplicate all rail lines where still single track, further extension of West Preston tram at least to Edwardes Park, then on to Reservoir Activity Centre.		
Residential				
		<u>Rental Properties</u> - how to support energy efficient change etc. Issue re assisting renters who often live in poor quality housing. Including Dept of Housing, pensioners etc. How to get access to solar hot water and rain water tanks in addition to insulation etc.	There is an energy efficiency program specifically for targeting rental properties included as an action for 2011/12. Some of our programs do or will accommodate rental properties (eg Insulation for the Elderly, Energy and Water Taskforce, Community Power etc).	Covered in draft Plan.

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		<p><u>Rentals and Body Corporates</u>. Work with Body Corporates of apartment buildings to help owners make their building energy efficient. Renters can do very little to their flat or townhouse except change their light globes/showerheads etc. Larger things like insulation and hot water need facilitation. Also address water while you are at it, helping apartment buildings to put in rainwater tanks. Work with Building Management companies (which Body Corporates usually use) to do this.</p>	<p>There is an energy efficiency program specifically for targeting rental properties included as an action for 2011/12.</p>	<p>Include an action for scoping a targeted program for apartments / body corporates.</p>
		<p>Liase with landlords to check that they can have the right ceiling light fittings and not burden (or use as an excuse) the tenant with the cost of having the right ceiling light fittings that take energy saving globes. This could also be applied to residents, but if they need to have the right fittings for their house, maybe the council can investigate any groups, (that would perform the task), as an endorsement (similar to the endorsements of groups who install solar panels and solar hot water systems).</p>	<p>Program with real estate agents and renters included in the plan.</p> <p>Plan includes Feasibility study for ongoing roll-outs of environmental technologies. Replacements for halogen down lights etc to be considered under this plan.</p>	<p>Covered in draft Plan.</p>
		<p>Bulk buy and distribution of metering devices to show how much electricity is being used minute by minute.</p>	<p>Plan includes Feasibility study for ongoing roll-outs of environmental technologies. This will be a good product to look at for one of these roll-outs.</p>	<p>Covered in draft Plan.</p>
		<p>Benchmark information about what is average and efficient electricity use.</p>	<p>Currently doing this and look to increase profile.</p>	<p>To be considered via Communications Plan.</p>
		<p>Solar hot water is not the answer in all</p>	<p>Energy efficient alternatives in</p>	<p>Covered in draft Plan.</p>

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		situations; Instantaneous gas is also very efficient and more appropriate in some situations, with no suitable roof access, low water users etdc.	addition to solar hot water to be included in the process.	
		Create incentives for more (non-environmentally aware) households to participate in emissions/waste reduction initiatives.	Incentives via solar hot water roll-out and feasibility study for ongoing roll-outs of this kind.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Council endorsement of products is good - makes it easier for people to act.	Feedback noted and backed up by survey results and program experience etc.	No further action.
		Promote Federal Governments Free Home Sustainability Assessment Program (attached to Green Loans Program) extensively within Darebin. Encourage widespread uptake of Home Sustainability Assessments.	Currently promoting Free Home Sustainability Assessments. Will review program prior to more widespread promotion.	Include action re assessment and more widespread promotion of the Home Sustainability Assessment and Green Loans program.
		It would be good to fund the topping up of inadequate insulation for ALL homes and businesses as these are not eligible for the State Govt's rebate.	Plan includes Feasibility study for ongoing roll-outs of environmental technologies.	Covered in draft Plan.
		In my work I come across many toilets that are not dual flush. Many pensioners do not have the funds to convert to dual flush, or the incentives to do so. Council should consider approaching state or federal governments with this idea.	Plan includes Feasibility study for ongoing roll-outs of environmental technologies.	Covered in draft Plan.
Commercial / Industrial				
		Mandatory disclosure of energy efficiency rating of commercial and industrial premises. Encourage audits at time of sale /rental.	Mandatory disclosure is outside Council's capacity. Will encourage audits via Climate Wise Business Program	Covered in draft Plan.
		Industrial Ecology - efficiencies between industry reusing each others waste streams etc.	Via Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA) Towards Zero Net Emissions	Covered in draft Plan.

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			Strategy	
		Cogeneration and capture and use of waste heat etc in Industrial hubs.	Via Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA) Towards Zero Net Emissions Strategy	
		Programs to work intensively with businesses to reduce emissions.	Darebin Climate Wise Business Program.	
		Jobs Jobs Jobs. Council should work with state and federal authorities on an incentive scheme for renewable energy industries wanting to set up for business in a Green hub in Darebin. Subsidies and encouragements such as low rates, rents, service connections and employment subsidies should be put in place.	Included in Plan to scope opportunities for encouraging new green businesses to locate in Darebin.	
		Liase with nursing homes to encourage the installation of insulation.	Via LESS program and roll-out of Insulation for the Elderly and programs for the disadvantaged.	
		Information, networking, and assistance to business and commercial interests is important and encouragement and incentives need to continue to be developed.	Via establishment of part-time Sustainable Business Officer on an ongoing basis	
Renewables				
		Offer subsidies and incentives for using green energy so people feel rewarded for doing the right thing and so most people make the switch.	Community Power promotes cost effective GreenPower options. Advocacy issue re making renewables more affordable.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Cogeneration / trigeneration opportunities including for residential development, industrial hubs, waste treatment	Under investigation via Preston Civic redevelopment, Metro Waste Management Group and NAGA Towards Zero Net Emissions.	Covered in draft Plan.
		GreenPower and Carbon Pollution	Council is advocating on this	

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		Reduction Scheme - how to respond to 2009 benchmark	issue.	
		Roll out a large promotion for people to get GreenPower (if you already do this, I haven't heard lately!). Use letter box stickers to promote/reward those who have GP. More visibility!	Via Community Power.	
		Buy back of Solar power from residents via Community Power	Not possible without establishing as a retailer and developing pole and wire infrastructure - v expensive. Advocacy issue to ensure buy back of power is facilitated by retailers.	
		Hand in hand with the Solar Hot Water Roll Out, a similar program for electricity production through solar panels would make sense, both focusing on individual/private households and businesses as well as on local "plants", i.e. use of momentarily unused public spaces, e.g. roofs on public buildings, schools etc.	Plan includes a feasibility study to look at ongoing bulk roll-outs of energy efficient and environmental technologies. Solar panels not the highest priority in terms of reducing emissions and payback.	
		Large scale solar panel roll out. There are bulk buying schemes for grid-connected solar PVs that the Council could probably tap into.	Darebin participated in one of these ~ 150 households participated. Plan includes feasibility study for how best to deliver ongoing roll-outs of environmental technologies.ongoing basis.	
		Subsidised solar panels to make them more affordable for those of us who love the idea but simply cannot afford to install solar power.	As per above via Feasibility Study re ongoing roll-outs.	Covered in draft Plan.

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		Solar cities program should be rolled out for all residents and households asap: information, incentives and encouragement for solar power connections at every level.	As per above via Feasibility Study re ongoing roll-outs.	
		Renewables purchasing program: council should contract with renewable energy suppliers only and encourage all businesses to do likewise.	Council buys 100% GreenPower for all Council owned and managed buildings and promotes this to the community.	
		I think one of the biggest hurdles for private households to install solar technology is the initial costs of the solar systems. In the long run, the use of renewable energies is not only ecologically wise, but also economically. Dependent on budget possibilities, two schemes might be worth considering in order to overcome installation costs. Either council support/guarantees the resident if they need to take a loan, or the council buy the solar system for the household, and the household gradually "buying" the system from the council through the savings on the energy bills.	Via Feasibility Study for ongoing roll out of environmental technologies. Solar hot water roll-out to aim for flexible payment arrangements for participants.	
		Support is needed for renewable technologies and will be needed at all levels so that economies of scale will begin to bring the prices down, so that every house or building will be convertible. Solar hot water is the cheapest and most efficient solar option, and recent developments in technology with combining solar hot water and electricity generation in the same panel should be considered as	Solar hot water roll-out. Feasibility Study re ongoing roll-out. Advocacy re small scale renewables.	

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		the technology has developed. Small-scale renewables is a major part of the solution.		
		There is significant interest and opportunity for reducing emissions within local government via cogeneration.	Darebin is pursuing for Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre, Preston Civic Centre and in collaboration with NAGA.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Encourage the installation of solar panels, solar hot water and water tanks. Investigate the costs for such installations, maybe investigate if there are some government rebates (again try to not have too much of the cost forwarded to residents and families.	Via Solar Hot Water roll out and Feasibility Study for ongoing roll-outs.	
Local Food Production				
		Local Food Production - public spaces, street trees, back yards etc. And programs to support.	Some work occurring in this area via Darebin and Banyule Good Food Alliance, development of the Community Garden at the East Reservoir Neighbourhood house. Sustainable Food seminar via Sustainable Homes, Grow your Own Food seminars and sustainable gardening etc.	Include an action re continuing to promote more sustainable and low emission food options - locally produced, less processed and less meat. Continue to work with Community Access, Health and Safety to develop and deliver programs to support sustainable and low emission food options.
		Community food co-ops - support them happening.		
		Encourage vegetarianism or low meat diets.		
		Information and support to reduce emissions intensity of food / diet (food = 28% of household emissions). Support for backyard, community and commercial urban food production, market spaces etc - to include support for soil contamination testing and water supplies. Mapping and access to available land, fruit and nut trees in public spaces etc		
		Relocalisation. Supporting local food, fibre and energy production.		
		With regards to the CALD program, but		

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		also apply to people of any background, and also apply to tenants in rental properties, council to promote and encourage and allow (liase with landlords for tenants living properties with some back yard space) the idea of a backyard garden, composting/worm farm, so people know what council bylaws are and tenants won't feel penalised by the landlord if tenants wish to grow a garden and/or compost/worm farm.		
Building Community Networks, Action and Involvement				
		Carbon Challenge program to encourage involvement. Make targets and actions meaningful at a local level - use a website to get households, schools and small business to record their gas/electricity and fuel use for a 3 month period, set a target and then measure again the following year.	This proposal is very similar to the Darebin 2020 Challenge community engagement program that has been included in the Green Precinct funding application to the Commonwealth Government. Outcome of the application expected in the next month or so. Program would be rolled out from 2010/11 if successful.	Include an action for rolling out this program if funding application is successful. If not successful refer the program proposal to the 2010/11 budget process for consideration.
Darebin Parklands Association		Darebin Parklands Association endorsed proposal above for a Community Climate Challenge program and if implemented would help promote through their membership etc.		
		Train representatives of ethnic groups and report back with Groups input.	This is covered in the plans for Community Leaders forums and capacity building and the 'Talking My Language' partnership program.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Training members of the community to be climate champions and communicate with families, friends, etc	This is covered in the plans for Community Leaders forums and capacity building.	Covered in draft Plan.

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		Detailed research into behaviour change issues and what the barriers are to taking action.	Research to date has indicated cost, time and knowledge/ information are the largest barriers to taking action for Darebin residents. More detailed research into actual action and barriers v expensive. Darebin via Community Power and NAGA is participating and supporting RMITs Carbon Neutral Communities project that aims to look at behaviour change barriers in more detail.	Covered in draft Plan / existing partnerships.
		Bring existing groups working on Climate Action together to foster collaboration on innovative community engagement - eg the Human Sign, 350 grass roots	This is covered in the plans for Community Leaders forums and capacity building and the 'Talking My Language' partnership program.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Get the grim news about Climate Change impacts out there more broadly to encourage action.	Balance of grim news and encouraging people to take action - to be addressed via communications plan.	To be considered in Communications Plan.
		I think a campaign that shows what would happen to Darebin if we continue like we are might make people take notice. It could be a dramatic image of Darebin in 2050 or 2100. I think having that image (whether it be a parched earth Darebin, with people lining up for water for example). I think like what has been done with the quit campaign has been effective, showing people what will happen to them later, if they don't change their habits now.		
		Make the impacts relevant to locals.		
		Reduce Carbon miles by Taxing Non-Local Items	Not within Council's capacity to tax - but we can educate and	No further Action.

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			raise awareness via buy local and local food promotions as per above.	
		Priorities should reflect areas of greatest potential impact within a framework of community engagement	The Plan aims to prioritise areas of greatest impact and to meet community needs (eg reaching disadvantaged and CALD communities)	To be considered in Communications Plan.
		Assist interested people to gain accurate information about different activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions - many don't know where to start.	We continue to try and do this via information on websites, circulated to households, Local Paper and programs etc.	No further action.
		Visible actions - support local champions in each street to push boundaries of sustainable lifestyle, develop a brand 'Darebin supports' for visible community actions.	Via Community Leaders program.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Do high profile education on the urgency, eg posters, newsletter, forums, talks at community groups etc. (Coupled with what people can do to cut emissions)	Currently aim to do this.	Via Communications Plan.
		Through notices in the local papers and Sustainability News and by offering funding, rebates, etc. The cost of changing is what prevents a lot of people taking action. Taking advantage of Council offers also needs to be easy. Too much red tape will put people off	Plan aims to do this.	No further Action.
		I think Council can best promote urgent large scale action through loud and widespread community education and providing financial assistance, where necessary, to help individuals incorporate changes. Alongside this,	Currently aim to do this. Council has limited capacity for regulation on climate change issues.	Covered in draft Plan.

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		by-laws must also be established. Ultimately, relying on individuals to do the 'right thing' will take us a very short way, very slowly.		
		Local community meetings. Establish volunteer working groups.	Via Community Leaders forums.	
		Support community groups that are campaigning in this space (e.g. new Transition Town Darebin group). Bring the business and community along on the zero net emissions target.	Via Community Leaders Forums	
		Education on these issues is critical - support school learning. Children learn and can then inform parents as well on parent info nights etc.	Currently provide information to schools re environmental programs and opportunities. Schools may be targeted via Community Leaders Forums.	
Urban Design and Environmental Performance of Buildings				
		Planning and building standards could be reviewed to ensure that carbon neutrality is fully considered in all council planning decisions.	An Advocacy issue that Council is active on. Council can only encourage developers to exceed Building Code requirements, not require them to do so.	No further action.
		Ensure that council fully consider the contribution of open space to the achievement of carbon neutrality. The old Fairfield police station could have become a carbon sink (a park) rather than what seems to be being proposed.	As per above consider positive impact of trees later in plan development.	Greenhouse benefits of Council trees be considered in later stages of the plan along with offsetting opportunities.
		Accelerate planning and building approvals for 'cutting edge' projects that challenge the status quo.	Not able to fast track - as there are many issues that can slow an application. We do offer incentives via planning permit rebates for using environmental software tools and improving environmental performance of building proposals.	Covered in Plan.

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		Should be mandatory for all new homes/buildings to have microgeneration of renewables with feedback into the grid.	As per above, we can't require we can encourage and advocate.	No further action.
		While I generally support the hub approach, I am becoming concerned by the constant stream of dual occupancy plans and the loss of open space across the municipality.		No further action.
		Community living - small scale, less density, but green space and yards for personal and communal food gardens, as transport costs grow due to peak oil. Compared with hub model of consolidation that increases density and in theory reduces transport emissions but disregards other impacts.	Food Security Policy and promotion of Community Gardens currently under development. Increasing need to balance with urban consolidation. NAGA Towards Zero Net Emissions Plan also looking at ensuring reduced carbon from urban planning opportunities.	Covered in draft Plan and other policies under development.
		The State Government approach of 'Build more apartments no matter what the environmental and social costs' is extremely damaging. Use your influence even more strongly against this position.	Some benefits in urban consolidation. Also need to accommodate housing needs of community with reducing household size. Council aims to ensure a good balance of competing issues.	No further action.
Advocacy				
		Put pressure on local and federal MPs to clearly convey the wishes of the populaces that elected them to do something about climate change.	Darebin is active in advocating on this issue and advocacy highlighted as a key strategy under the plan.	Covered in draft Plan.
		By forcefully advocating that the state and federal governments need to take stronger action on climate change		

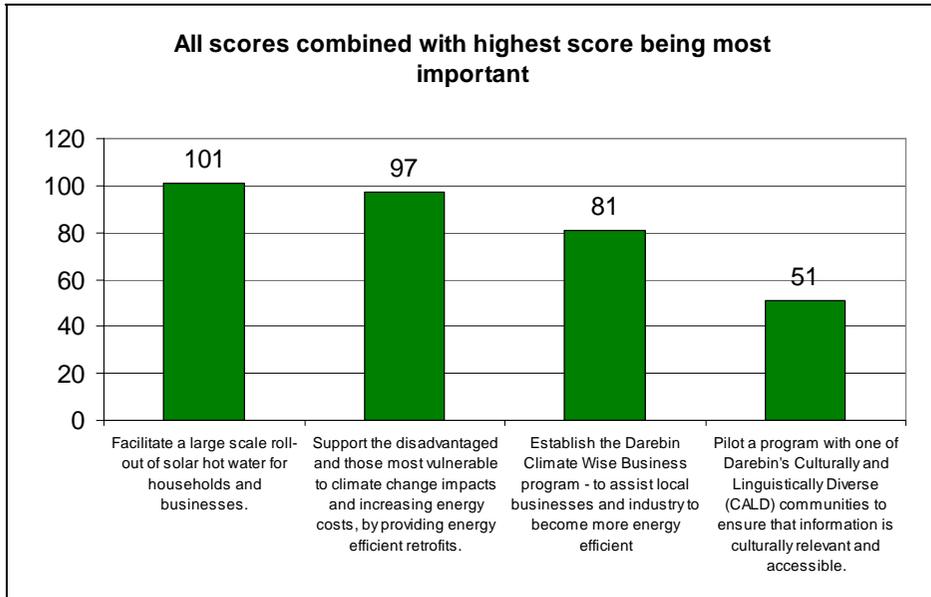
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		The fed government should set a target for reducing ghg's based on the latest science, current proposals and hopelessly low. Recent "stimulus spending" a wasted opportunity to dramatically kick start renewable energy, building retrofitting for solar, insulation, water saving etc.		
		Urge councillors, council officers and employees who are members of political parties to advocate for more urgent action. Policies to alleviate or contain Climate Disruption should override or merge with all other concerns or philosophies or political views.	This happens formally via Darebin Council and we also encourage residents to advocate on Climate issues.	
		Advocacy issues re CPRS and supporting community advocacy	Investigate opportunities via Leaders Forum and existing groups to share Council's advocacy messages.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Forget advocacy and advertising - instead, provide services to the public... (cont in 'other below)	Advocacy is a key platform of the plan and if we don't advertise people won't know about our services.	No further action.
Leadership				
		Council needs to model the way forward in all its activities. For example using motorised bicycles where possible, replacing cars with hybrids etc	Noted.	Covered in draft Plan and to be considered in Communications Plan.
		Continue being a leader on environmental initiatives to encourage other Local Governments to improve.		

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		You could do a lot worse than base your plans on London City Council, one that has decided not to wait for national government to take action. Make Darebin the Australian version of London, you will be the envy of every other council in Australia, and hopefully inspire others to follow.		
		Set your own example! If you act responsibly then others can follow. What measures have the council taken for its own and its members' emissions. Make people aware of that. Act holisitically - you need to get people thinking as a community, and that means council needs to respect community values. It doesn't now, with respect to how it handles rubbish pick-ups,as an example.		
		Leadership and environmental integrity of Council operations very important for credibility.		
Other				
		Forget advocacy and advertising - instead, provide services to the public; improve public transport by directly providing it. Provide bulk purchase solar panels for homes and businesses. Sliding rates subsidies for households with no or one car, or if renting, drastically reduced fees for Council-owned services, such as leisure centre and swimming pool facilities.	Incentives and bulk brokering being undertaken.	Covered in draft Plan.

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		Look at how much carbon current and planned trees in Darebin are absorbing at present - take credit for this.	Reducing emissions is currently the highest priority.	To be considered in later stages of the plan along with offsetting opportunities.	
		Rainwater tanks on community sports grounds	Being pursued under the Sustainable Water Strategy and Adaptation Strategy.	Covered in policies and actions outside of the Plan.	
		Accountability for achieving realistic outcomes in senior Council positions eg CEO responsible for achieving interim community greenhouse reduction targets	Community emissions reductions beyond Council's direct sphere of responsibility / influence regardless of how much effort and resourcing we put into programs.		
		Ban wood fire heaters - pollutants also contribute to formation of greenhouse gas emissions. Promoting energy efficient alternatives may encourage people to move to wood fire heaters and contribute to air pollution.	A Council Report has been requested re the development of a Darebin Clean Air Strategy - feedback relating to wood heaters has been forwarded to the Council Officer preparing this report. Wood fires not a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in Darebin.	Referred for consideration in development of Clean Air Strategy.	
	Stop people burning wood and having open fires in their homes				
		If we are to achieve zero net emissions, the City of Darebin must become free of wood smoke pollution. Initially, this would involve community education. The Council must promote clean air and the non use of wood fire heaters and wood fires for outdoors cooking as the first option, as opposed to current policy where households are encouraged to use properly seasoned wood and wood heaters in the correct manner. However, if we are to establish real change, by-laws must be established to prevent the use of all wood fires, indoors and outdoors, in the City of Darebin. This is not dissimilar to			

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		the City of Moreland's current plan to create a by-law preventing cigarette smoking in all children's playgrounds		
		I would like to see the issue of wood heaters looked at. As a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, and a major source of black carbon (which also contributes significantly to global warming)it is a hidden menace when it comes to climate change. From my observations it seems more people in Darebin are installing wood heaters, thinking that they are environmentally friendly because they burn a natural product. In fact the World Health Organization reports that approximately 2.7 million people die each year from air pollution and that reduction of wood and other biomass burning would mitigate global warming and would also save lives and improve peopleâ€™s health. Please educate the darebin community that wood heaters are damaging our efforts to reduce emissions, they are not carbon neutral and pose a health hazard particularly to children, the elderly and people with heart and lung conditions.		
		Offsets are often problematic	Yes they are. Proposal for further investigation and Council promotion of better options.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Large scale food waste collection and composting for hospitality businesses.	Investigation via Metropolitan Waste Management Group and Darebin Waste Strategy	Via other policies and actions.

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		Free landscaping and mulch service to remove front and back lawns in housing commission properties	Not clear if these actions are suggested as an adaptation issue to avoid grass in low water conditions or to promote food growing - which is addressed above. Reducing grass is promoted via Sustainable Gardening programs.	No further action.
		Council to replace all major road nature strips with non-grass such as granitic sand and native grasses, so they don't need mowing.		
		Plastic-bag free Darebin. Reintroduce user saucapans for take-away venues (each venue to have its own steriliser provided by Council - replacing plastic containers).	Darebin Waste Management Strategy - although plastic bags are not the highest strategic priority.	Via other policies and initiatives.
		I think the steps already mentioned are very good. Of course reforming council energy use will also be important, including in street lighting and public buildings.	This is happening via Darebin's Climate Change Action Plan.	Covered in draft Plan.
		Can you do some kind of energy performance contracting through rates?	Energy efficiency programs for households and businesses being undertaken via Plan. Council's experience of Energy Performance Contracting was not very positive.	No further action.



Those completing the survey / feedback form on the website were asked to rank the new proposed new programs in the order of priority. This graph shows the scores weighted so that the highest score is the most important score combining the number of 1,2,3 and 4 scores given.

Do you have any other feedback or suggestions regarding the Community Climate Change Action Plan?

Very good - keep at it :)

This is a great initiative: it's really good to see council getting firmly behind this one. Congratulations, you have changed!

well done and keep leading in this area

glad you've finally done it!

Well done on being ahead of the pack on the zero net emissions target.

good on you darebin council .keep up the good work. i am proud to be in this region

Congratulations on the zero emissions target and the plan. It's great to see some action.

Good start, need to keep up the momentum, and not be reliant on the useless state or Federal Governments

Yes please include the issue of wood smoke emissions in the plan.

I just hope this translates into actual action and not just political hot air for the sake of appearing like you are doing something.

good on you for doing this. keep going because i've given up on rudd for the time being.