

COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

2024 – 2030



City of
Melville

Residents

ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE



- ✓ Start or join a community group in your area, like the Town Teams, climate action groups or volunteer with “Friends of” local groups
- ✓ Speak up! Practice advocacy at all levels



- ✓ Ask your landlord for improvements in energy efficiency or to install solar panels
- ✓ Review your home for preparedness to natural disasters predicted for your area (e.g. flooding, bushfire, extreme heat)



- ✓ Install solar panels on your roof
- ✓ Choose an electricity plan that includes renewable energy (e.g. GreenPower)
- ✓ Replace old lightbulbs with LED lights
- ✓ Buy appliances with high energy efficiency ratings
- ✓ Electrify everything! Replace gas hot water tanks, heaters, ovens and stovetops with electric ones when possible and buy an electric vehicle for your next car
- ✓ Conduct a home energy audit to see where most of your energy is used or lost (e.g. poor insulation). Knowing which appliances are high energy users and which areas of your home have low thermal performance will allow targeted changes that see immediate savings



- ✓ Lead healthier, more active lives
- ✓ Walk, cycle or catch public transport where possible



- ✓ Grow your own food and share this with your community if you have excess or join a local community garden
- ✓ Support local farmers and farmers markets and purchase oddly shaped food so it doesn't go to waste



- ✓ Practice conscious consumerism and drive change through consumer spending
- ✓ Donate to charity, swapping or selling unwanted items to reduce waste
- ✓ Prioritise reusable materials, such as cups or water bottles, grocery and produce bags, and reusable cutlery over single use
- ✓ Buy quality products or shop second hand
- ✓ Separate rubbish, recyclables and food compost correctly
- ✓ Request paperless invoices and stop other paper bills in the mail
- ✓ Say 'No' to receiving Junk-mail in your letter box
- ✓ Bring along your hard to recycle items to Bottle Top Hill or items that need fixing to Repair Lab and give them a second life



- ✓ Request free trees for your verge from the City of Melville
- ✓ Participate in the free plant giveaway run each autumn by the City of Melville
- ✓ Plant and retain canopy trees and shrubs in your garden and verge and partner with your neighbours to help look after their verges if they need assistance
- ✓ On hot days, water your plants in the coolest parts of the day – before sunrise or after sunset
- ✓ Reuse grey water in your garden and consider installing a rainwater tank on your property
- ✓ Support biodiversity in your gardens, plant natives, install frog ponds, bird baths, insect hotels and practice responsible pet ownership

