



Appendix 2

13.1 City Powers Partnership - Five Pledges

City Powers Partnership list of Pledges

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Wednesday 16 December 2020 at 7:00pm

(Via Videoconference)

Appendix

Appendix A: The Partnership Action Pledges

Participating councils who join the partnership will have 6 months to select 5 key actions from the options below.

Renewable Energy



1. Develop supportive planning laws to encourage residents and industry to adopt renewable energy.



2. Use council resources to support the uptake of renewable energy



3. Install renewable energy (solar PV and battery storage) on council buildings.



4. Support community facilities to access renewable energy through incentives, support or grants.



5. Power council operations by renewable energy, and set targets to increase the level of renewable power for council operations over time.



6. Provide incentives and/or remove barriers to encourage local businesses to take up solar power and battery storage.



7. Support local community renewable energy projects, and encourage investment in community energy.



8. Opening up unused council managed land for renewable energy.



9. Facilitate large energy users collectively tendering and purchasing renewable energy at a low cost.



10. Set minimum renewable energy benchmarks for new developments.



11. Electrify public transport systems and fleet vehicles and power these by 100% renewable energy.



12. Lobby electricity providers and state government to address barriers to local renewable energy uptake.



13. Identify opportunities to turn organic waste into electricity.



14. Implement landfill gas methane flaring or capture for electricity generation.



15. Create a revolving green energy fund to finance renewable energy projects.

Energy Efficiency



1. Set minimum energy efficiency benchmarks for all planning applications.



2. Adopt best practice energy efficiency measures across all council buildings, and support community facilities to adopt these measures.



3. Roll out energy efficient lighting across the municipality.



4. Provide incentives for energy efficient developments and upgrades to existing buildings.



5. Incentivise use of energy efficient heating and cooling technologies.



6. Create a green revolving energy fund to finance energy efficiency projects

Sustainable Transport

1.  Ensure Council fleet purchases meet strict greenhouse gas emissions requirements and support the uptake of electric vehicles.
2.  Provide fast-charging infrastructure throughout the city at key locations for electric vehicles.
3.  Encourage sustainable transport use such as public transport, walking and cycling through council transport planning and design.
4.  Ensure that new developments are designed to maximize public and active transport use, and support electric vehicle uptake.
5.  Support cycling through provision of adequate cycle lanes, bike parking and end-of-ride facilities.
6.  Reduce or remove minimum car parking requirements for new housing and commercial developments where suitable public transport alternatives exist.
7.  Lobby state and federal governments to increase sustainable transport options
8.  Create disincentives for driving high emitting vehicles.
9.  Convert council waste collection fleet to hydrogen or electric power.

Work Together and Influence

1.  Set city-level renewable energy or emissions reduction targets.
2.  Lobby state and federal government to address barriers to the take up of renewable energy, energy efficiency and/or sustainable transport.
3.  Set up meetings and attend events to work with other cities on tackling climate change.
4.  Develop education and behaviour-change programs to support local residents and businesses to tackle climate change through clean energy, energy efficiency and sustainable transport.
5.  Lobby for state and federal support for a just transition away from coal-driven industry for local workers and the community.
6.  Develop procurement policy to ensure that the practices of contractors and financiers align with council's renewable energy, energy efficiency and sustainable transport goals.
7.  Support the local community to develop capacity and skills to tackle climate change.
8.  Support local community energy groups with their community energy initiatives.
9.  Achieve 100% divestment from fossil fuel aligned investments at the earliest possible date.