

Climate Change Action Plan

South Gippsland Shire Council has agreed to submit a pledge this week to the Sustainability Victoria TAKE2 Climate Change Action Plan program.

Council will join 27 other Victorian councils and over 3,000 Victorians who have pledged their support.

TAKE2 offers access to information on the risks and actions on climate change and encourages working in collaboration with other councils to maximise action for effort.

The pledge is part of the *Climate Change Act 2016* and will support the municipality in contributing towards the state wide goal of zero carbon emissions by 2050.

The key message of the pledge is to be a municipality that values its local people, flora and fauna and is committed to actively and collaboratively engaging with its community and other partners in protecting the environment and benefiting from sustainable opportunities.

In submitting the pledge, Council will commit to actions that have been completed, currently being undertaken, proposed to be implemented or identified as potential future actions.

The pledge compliments Council's aim to reduce its greenhouse emissions by twenty percent by 2020.

In addition, many of the suggested TAKE2 Pledge actions are currently being fulfilled through the implementation of Council's Sustainability Strategy 2016-2020.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt is happy to be pledging help towards a more environmentally friendly future.

"It is important for everyone to do their part in getting towards a cleaner and greener future.

"With many pledge actions already in place, South Gippsland is pleased to be joining other Victorian councils in continuing the hard work," said the Mayor.

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