

# SUMMARY OF LEARNING

## February – August 2018



[GenerationYes.com.au](http://GenerationYes.com.au)



**We know Australians care  
about climate change. We  
have the commitment and  
we know the solutions exist.  
How can we accelerate  
action?**







REDUCING  
ENERGY USE



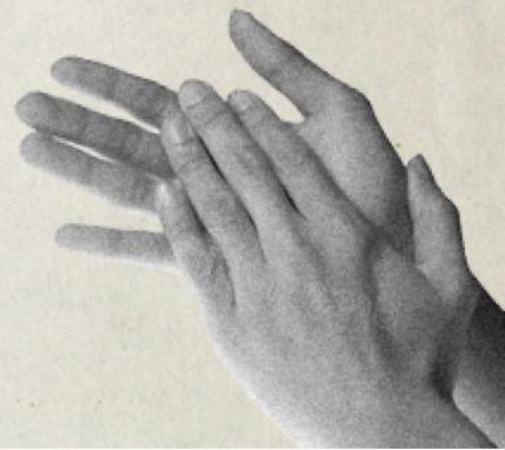
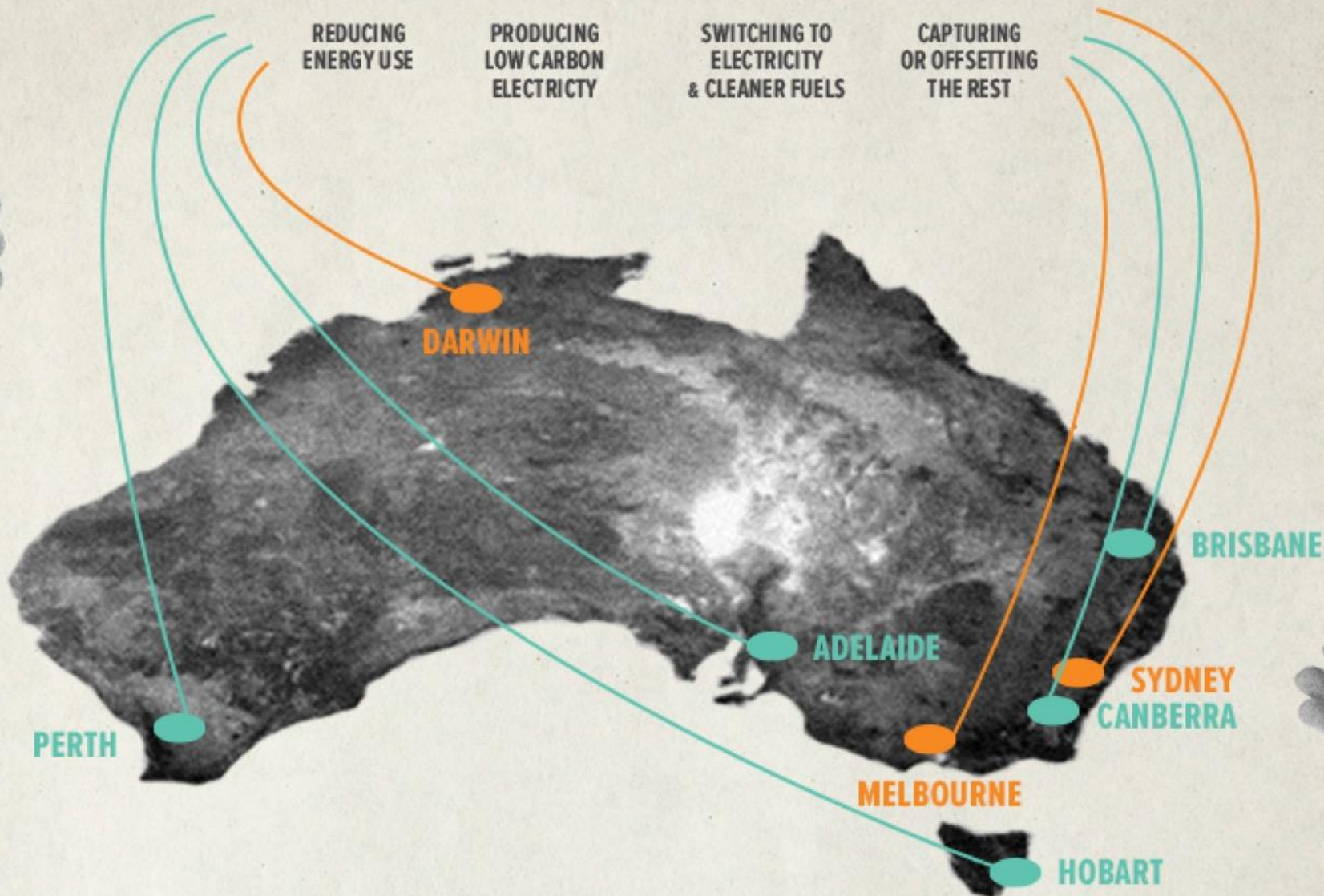
PRODUCING  
LOW CARBON  
ELECTRICITY

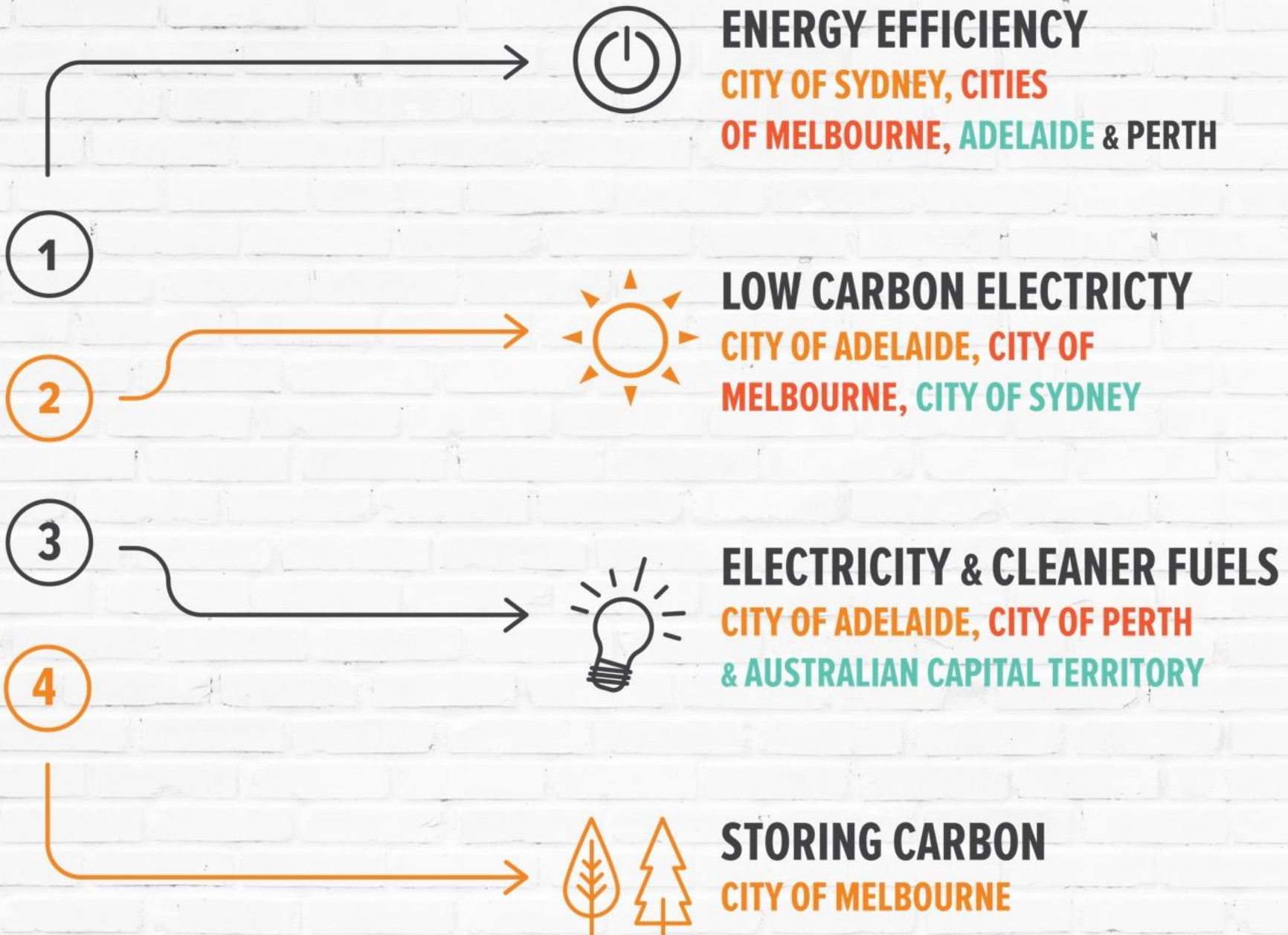


SWITCHING TO  
ELECTRICITY  
& CLEANER FUELS



CAPTURING  
OR OFFSETTING  
THE REST





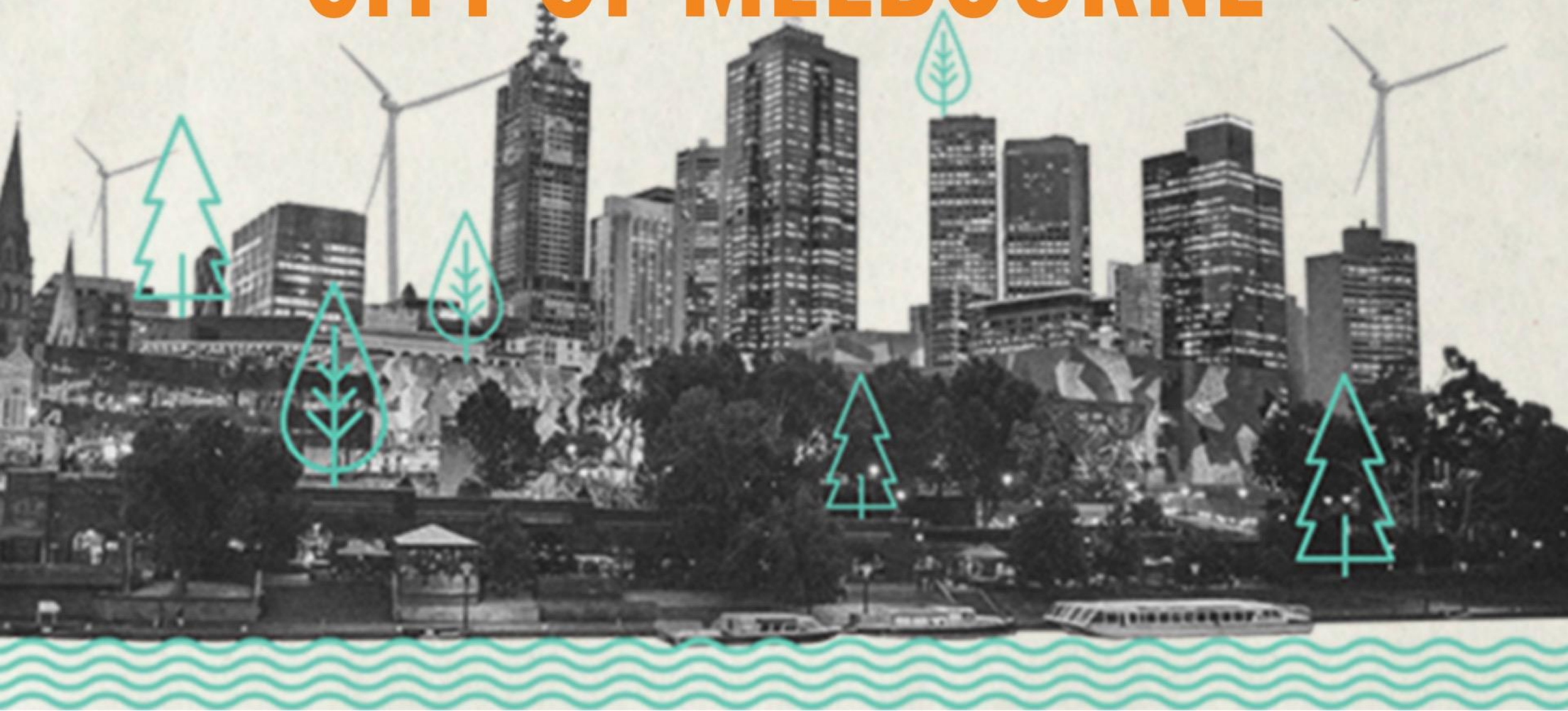


# PURPOSE OF COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

**Amplify the impact of city led carbon reduction strategies and projects across Australia**

**Design and implement structured collaboration process between capital cities across stages of program development**

# CITY OF MELBOURNE





# Workshop with Michael Shank, CNCA/USDN Communications Director





# MESSAGE DO'S

1

Keep the message positive, beneficial and anchored to the evidence. Reassure with realistic, practical messaging about the presence of a “credible plan”, “pathways to net zero”, “modelling and research that shows we can achieve...”





# MESSAGE DO'S

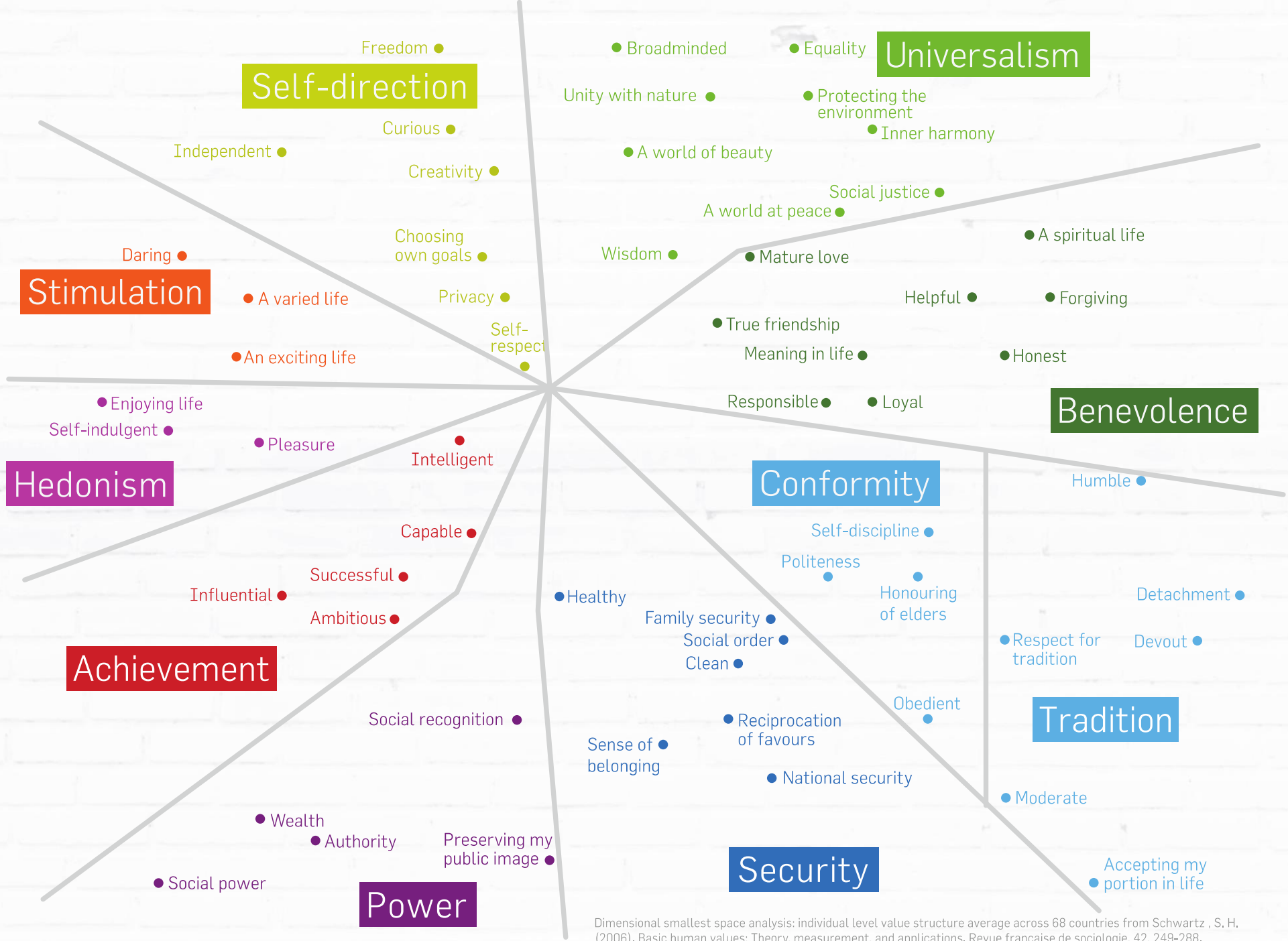
- 2 Take time to explain 'a net zero emissions future' and carbon neutral. It is key to this narrative but it's also a new concept to many that will join the vernacular once it becomes familiar.

## WHY 'NET ZERO EMISSIONS BY 2050'? AN EXPLAINER

What does 'net zero' mean and how does it relate to the Paris Agreement, climate change and Australia? Here's an explanation along with a few key phrases to help it make sense.



- 3 Anchor messages about the future around immediacy - why we need to start today. It's not somewhere we are going but something we need to build, starting now.



Dimensional smallest space analysis: individual level value structure average across 68 countries from Schwartz, S. H. (2006). Basic human values: Theory, measurement, and applications. *Revue française de sociologie*, 42, 249-288.



# CITY INSIGHTS

Alignment: Engage with your audience by aligning your message with their value system and what is important to them. Wealth and security have proven effective globally and tap into extrinsic values. Whereas health is also powerful as an intrinsic value.

Framing: Focus on positive framing: positive change, wealth and prosperity. Flipping conversation to prosperity and abundance could speak to people.

Movement: Create a movement, people want to be part of a movement and don't want to miss out

# CITY INSIGHTS

Impact of action: Incorporate call to action and make their impact visible. People often only want to take action when they believe it has an impact and will make a change. Show case studies and benefits.

Sense of urgency: Create a sense of urgency in your messaging. People live in the now, so in order to activate them, bring the urgency to the present instead of being future oriented.

Art: If possible, use landscape art, visuals, music to engage and activate people to undertake action.



# YES

WE'RE

**YOUNG & OLD**

& EVERYONE IN BETWEEN.



# YES

WE'RE  
**DREAMERS  
& DOERS**

# YES

***WE RESPECT***  
**THE VIEWS OF OTHERS,**

**EVEN IF THEY'RE DIFFERENT FROM ONE ANOTHER**

))) **BECAUSE WHEN WE LISTEN,** (((

**WE MAY FIND OUT**

**SOMETHING  
NEW**



WHILE GROWING OUR  
ECONOMY BY 150%

SEE HOW

and

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PEOPLE MAKING IT HAPPEN



### SOLAR ON A STUDENT BUDGET

Flying in the face of the common  
belief that renters (and low in...



### ELECTRIC VEHICLES A NO BRAINER

Electric vehicles can be powered by  
renewable energy and c...





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# YOUR NEW COMMUTE?

Climate changes everything.  
It's time to **#TransformTO**. Find out what  
you can do at [livegreentoronto.ca](http://livegreentoronto.ca)



Call **311**

Join the Fremont Green Challenge to reduce your impact, save money and help create a cleaner, healthier future!

[JOIN THE CHALLENGE](#)[Learn More >](#)

**250**

HOUSEHOLDS BY DECEMBER  
2017  
PARTICIPATION GOAL



**500**

TONS OF CO<sub>2</sub> BY DECEMBER 2017  
REDUCTION GOAL

TOP COMMUNITY GROUP  
**Brier Elementary**

TOP TEAM  
**GreenGirls#1**

[See Challenge Leaderboard >](#)



# CONNECTING FOR COLLECTIVE IMPACT AROUND CLIMATE ACTION IN BOULDER, CO



## WHAT DO I DO?

Explore our rotating list of top ways to take action right here, in Boulder



## WHERE CAN I GO?

Use our robust and searchable community calendar to find events suited to your interests



## WHO'S TAKING ACTION?

Connect with the local organizations and opportunities for impact via our comprehensive database

## ROADMAP TO RENEWABLE LIVING: FOUR ACTIONS WITH IMPACT



Maximize  
Energy Efficiency



Get  
Solar



Use Clean  
Transportation



Electrify  
Heating & Cooling

WE ARE

## ZERO WASTE BOULDER



90%

OF WHAT GOES INTO  
BOULDER'S LANDFILL  
IS RECYCLABLE  
OR COMPOSTABLE.

LET'S CHANGE THAT.

### ZERO WASTE BOULDER

Residents  
Businesses  
Property Managers

WHAT GOES WHERE

STRATEGIC PLAN

REGULATIONS

SUSTAINABILITY IN  
BOULDER

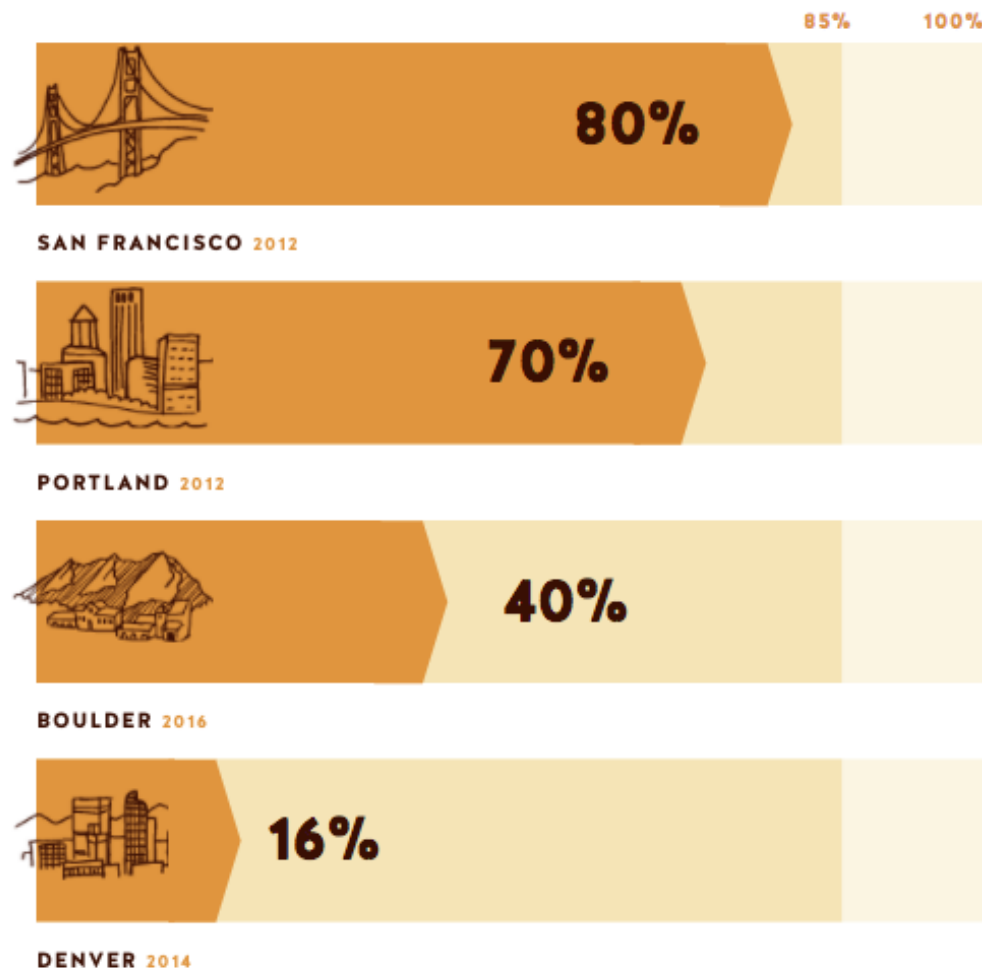
SPECIAL EVENTS

RESOURCES

REPORT LACK OF  
SERVICE, BINS OR  
SIGNS

## How are other cities doing?

Percentage of waste that is composted or recycled:





# KEY COMMITMENTS

**1.Targeted Engagement - Business to business (B2B)**

**2. Measurement, learning and sharing**

**3. Seizing the media moment**

**4. Drive a collective campaign**  
**- aggregated action, “reflecting out the we”**

# CITY OF ADELAIDE







**“As the world's first carbon neutral city, Adelaide will be a showcase for the uptake of renewable and clean technologies and for embracing the economic opportunities of responding to climate change.**

**Together with the community, we will build on Adelaide's reputation as a clean, green and liveable city.”**

Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Martin Haese



# SHARED NARRATIVE

**Collective interests identified overarching messages created based upon the shared goal of creating sustainable, resilient and liveable cities.**

**Collective interests identified:**

- **Economic transition**
- **Sustainability**
- **Innovation**
- **Technological solutions**

## MORE THAN CARBON ACCOUNTING

Health, wellbeing  
and participation

A low carbon,  
circular economy

Carbon positive  
buildings and  
precincts

100% renewable  
energy

Zero emissions  
transport

Reducing risk and  
preparing for  
climate change  
impacts

Innovation,  
knowledge sharing  
and transparency

\*City of Melbourne's WIP pillars for Net Zero

# CROSS SECTOR LEVERAGE























\*Generation Yes sector projects





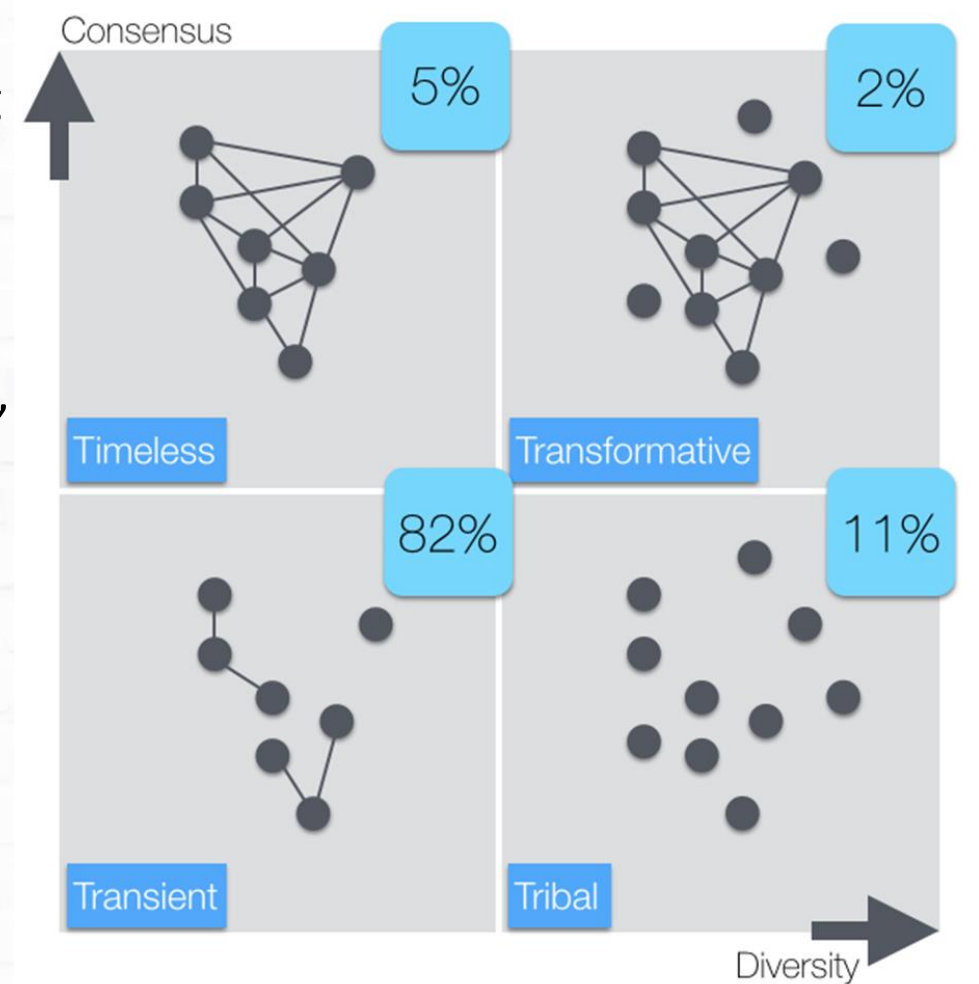
## A group of four people are seated around a conference table in a meeting room, discussing a project. A large screen on the left displays a "12 MONTH COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN" plan with various icons and text. A whiteboard on the right contains handwritten notes. The table is cluttered with papers, a blue water bottle, and coffee cups.

| Quarter                                     | Q1 (July-September 17)  | Q2 (October-December 17)  | Q3 (January-March 18)   | Q4 (April-June 18)  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Master narrative                            | Melbourne is a great place to live. You've told us you want to make the difference in sustainability and climate change. Let's work together in the way we contribute to Melbourne's future.<br>Sign up to <u>GreenMoney</u> and make the difference for Melbourne  |   |   |   |
| Content Strategy                            |                     |   |   |   |
| Flagship event(s)                           | <u>GreenMoney</u> Launch to City Workers<br><u>EcoCity</u> World Summit (Melbourne Conversations)<br><u>Winter</u> Campaign Testing<br>War on Waste   | Urban Forest Fund<br>Melbourne Music Week (energy)<br>Beat the heat   | Carbon Neutral Energy Project<br>Melbourne Renewable Energy Project<br>Queen Victoria Market market pavilion  | Elizabeth Street Catchment<br>World Environment Day (5 June)<br>Climate Change Adaptation   |
| Programs, announcements and events (offers) | Melbourne Renewable Energy Project (energy)<br>Smart Blocks announcement (energy)<br>Environment Portfolio post launch (heat)<br>Melbourne Fashion Week (waste)<br>Green Your Laneway (heat)<br>High Rise Recycling Program<br>Love your Laneway<br>Big Belly Solar Bins  | Christmas Activation (energy and waste)<br>New Year's Eve (energy and waste)<br>Refuge<br>Spring Cleaning Program (waste)<br>E-Waste Recycling<br>Citizens Forester Program<br>Tree Planting Program<br>Green Your Laneway                    | Sustainability Living Festival (all)<br>Positive Charge<br>CitySwitch<br>Take 2 campaign events   | High Life Expo (energy and waste)<br>Moomba (waste)<br>Melbourne Knowledge Week / Innovation precinct(all)<br>Earth Day (4 Apr)<br>Integrated Water Management<br>World Oceans Day (8 Jun)  |
| Key Messages (sample)                       | 50,000 coffee cups are binned every 30 seconds. Bring your own and take a small step every day to make the difference for Melbourne.  | Our trees are good for our health and wellbeing. Beat the heat and help cool our city by joining the Citizen Forester program for the love of Melbourne.  | We have partnered with X (TBC) to ensure that our residents get the most competitive price on renewable energy. Make the switch today and take a small step to make the difference for Melbourne.   | We know you love Melbourne, and hate waste. We can help our residents save water every day. Visit our website to find out how.  |
| Channels                                    | Twitter, Facebook, EDMs, Website, Mail outs, Ambassadors, Events, Melbourne Magazine, Locations (Parks, Libraries, Recreation Centres), Rate notification 'sustainability calendar'   | Twitter, Facebook, EDMs, Website, Mail outs, Ambassadors, Events, Melbourne Magazine, Locations (Parks, Libraries, Recreation Centres), Rate notification 'sustainability calendar'   | Twitter, Facebook, EDMs, Website, Mail outs, Ambassadors, Events, Melbourne Magazine, Locations (Parks, Libraries, Recreation Centres), Rate notification 'sustainability calendar'   | Twitter, Facebook, EDMs, Website, Mail outs, Ambassadors, Events, Melbourne Magazine, Locations (Parks, Libraries, Recreation Centres), Rate notification 'sustainability calendar'   |
| External opportunities                      | NA/DOC Week (2-9 July)<br>Plastic Free July<br>Keep Australia Beautiful Week (22-28 August)<br>Biodiversity Month (September)<br>Sustainable House Day (17 Sept)<br>World Car Free Day (22 Sept)  | World Habitat Day (2 Oct)<br>All energy Conference 2017 (11-12 Oct)<br>National Ride to Work Day (12 Oct)<br>World Food Day (16 Oct)<br>National Recycling Week (13-19 Nov)<br>National Walk to Work Day (TBC)                                | World Wetlands Day (2 Feb)<br>World Wildlife Day (3 March)<br>Solar Appreciation Day (9 March)  | International Recycling Day (17 May)<br>Endangered Species Day (19 May)<br>World Population Day (11 July)   |
| Partner links and channels                  | <b>Primary:</b> Sustainability Victoria (Take 2), Gen Yes<br><b>Secondary:</b> The University of Melbourne, RMIT University, Melbourne Museum, Destination Melbourne, One Million Women, the Climate Council, the Sustainable Living Festival   | <b>Primary:</b> Sustainability Victoria (Take 2), Gen Yes<br><b>Secondary:</b> The University of Melbourne, RMIT University, Melbourne Museum, Destination Melbourne, One Million Women, the Climate Council, the Sustainable Living Festival | <b>Primary:</b> Sustainability Victoria (Take 2), Gen Yes<br><b>Secondary:</b> The University of Melbourne, RMIT University, Melbourne Museum, Destination Melbourne, One Million Women, the Climate Council, the Sustainable Living Festival | <b>Primary:</b> Sustainability Victoria (Take 2), Gen Yes<br><b>Secondary:</b> The University of Melbourne, RMIT University, Melbourne Museum, Destination Melbourne, One Million Women, the Climate Council, the Sustainable Living Festival |
| Internal ADKAR                              | Inductions, Sustainability Basics, Beyond Sustainability Basics, CDM News, Yammer, Brand Strategy   |   |   |   |

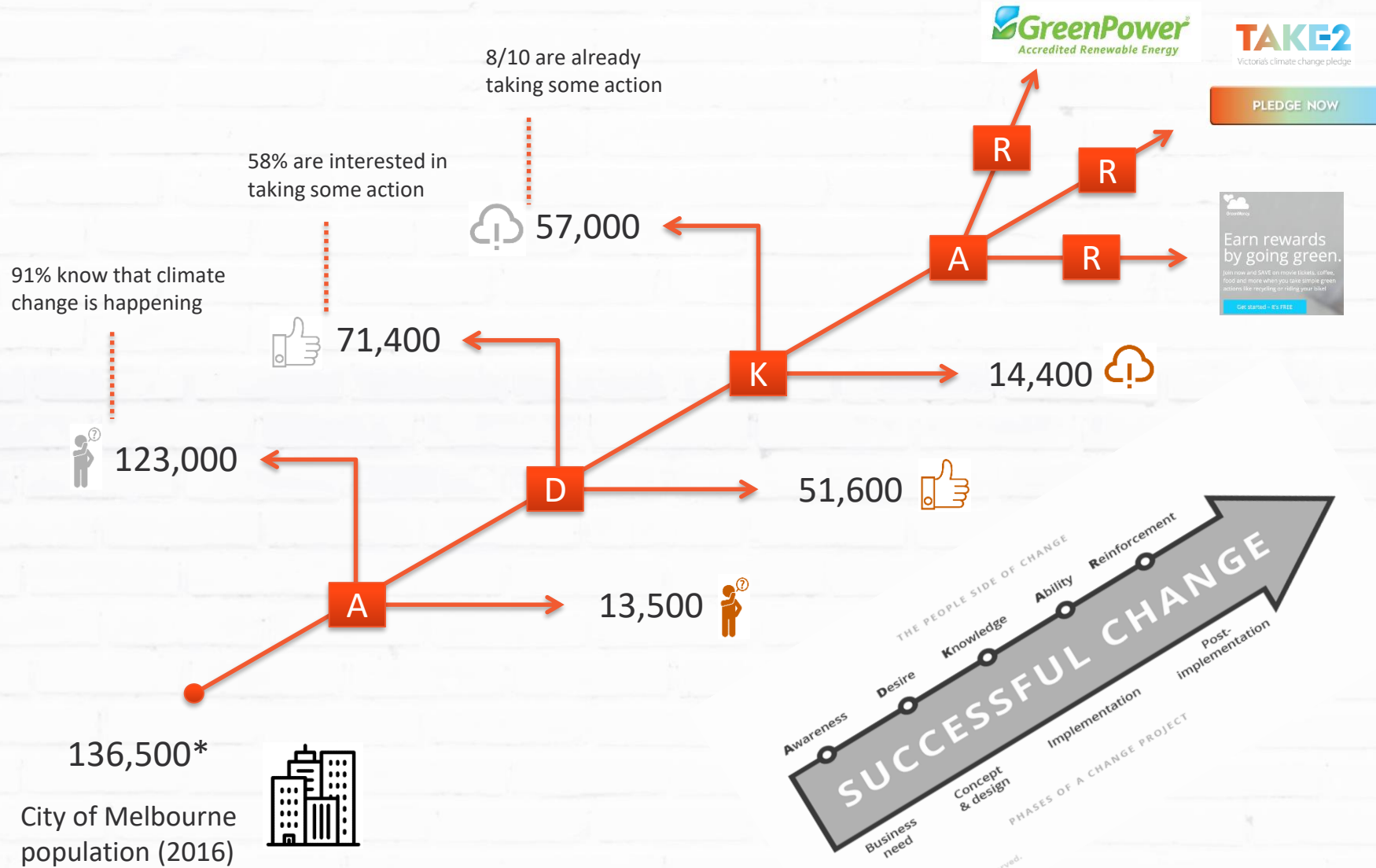
## LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS

The tool measures long term engagement for narratives across the whole web, including traditional and social media. Analysing the key content, key locations (media), and key influencers that are driving the narrative structures and changes.

- Transient narratives - fall away, do not have long term value, and are not cutting through
- Tribal narratives - intense debate, have no influence or impact
- Timeless narratives - long term, deep engagement, expected to grow and persist, authentic narratives
- Transformative - intense engagement, strong themes, fast changing but potentially result in lasting transformations



# CHANGE PATHWAY (EXAMPLE)



\*Absolute numbers to inform tangible measures, based on 2016 Census (more detailed segmentation included in plan )



# KEY COMMITMENTS

1. Start a shared communication plan to test the benefits of working collectively and build the case for joint contribution of funding and to leverage further funding
2. Set up quarterly outcome-focused meetings with communication and marketing officers of Cities to strengthen collaboration.
3. Build on joint project plan to enable agile actions; key messages, communication channels and delivery mechanisms; timeframes; resources; aligning communication approaches with deeper behavioural change interventions.
4. Test key messages for all Cities to use and share to reinforce consistent messaging.

# KEY COMMITMENTS

5. Continue stakeholder testing of the proposed narrative and key messages. Start with program stakeholders e.g. CitySwitch and expand when dedicated resourcing available.
6. Continue to build online infrastructure that facilitates collaboration between cities and stakeholders using existing resourcing. Create tailored platforms when resourcing is available.
7. Use existing platforms to share city progress e.g. Generation Yes. Use current channels, build dedicated campaign if resourcing available.
8. A third workshop is planned in August 2018 to take forward the efforts of May 2018.
9. Create a briefing document (two-pages) on the nationally coordinated effort for city executive and councillors

# CITY OF SYDNEY







Workshop 3 for Net Zero Program Excellence – Community of Practice

# Concept / Ideas

Develop robust data on aggregate actions.  
*"If half of city buildings did X, it would achieve Y"*

Data partner MOU's  
eg SAPN

Business & city user engagement campaign  
– 'norms'

Public carbon reporting ?  
Other reporting ?

Nationally consistent, aggregable progress indicators.

Set up CoA as the source of truth on tracking emissions?

Strongly features "pathways" – energy efficiency, buying renewables, fuel switching (EVs)

Planned collaboratively with Melb and Syd – replicable process

What \*really gets us to carbon neutral?  
What are the 'asks' per sector? 30%? 50% cuts?

Activate partners

Consider data science, public art, digital feedback, to enable campaign

Best practice comms, positive, reaffirming, "we can", "play your part".  
Segmented. Marketing \$.

**OBJECTIVE:** To move 'carbon neutral into the mainstream'. Locals quietly proud of it.

**METHOD:** Create city-bounded emissions & progress reporting. Outreach/ campaign anchored to reporting.

**TARGET:** City building enablers, owners and occupants. City users.



CITY OF  
ADELAIDE

City of Adelaide – Seeking input on: Meaningful Data for Effective Collaboration

# THE SOLUTION



## WHAT?

A race to make your workplace the healthiest, happiest, most sustainable office in the country

WELCOME TO THE CITY OF SYDNEY'S **BETTER BUILDINGS CUP.**

City of Sydney – B2B Project Update: Whole Building Challenge



# Next Steps in National Collaboration

## **Actions to include:**

**Ongoing quarterly meetings with rotating chair and agenda responsibility; linking with marketing and communications staff to further collaborative efforts.**

**Meetings and work specifically focussing on identification, collection and effective use of meaningful data to support effective communication.**

**Explore pooled funding to build cities' capacity to jointly measure their climate action efforts. Work to align measures to track shifting attitudes, outcomes and emissions.**

**Brief City Mayors and Chief Executives on the Net Zero Program Excellence – Community of Practice project via a dedicated meeting of the Council of Capital City Lord Mayors.**

**Identify a national level campaign that cities can reinforce using consistent messaging.**



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CLIMATE CHANGE.**