



# Meeting Summary – Tuesday 5 December 2023

<b>Location:</b>	Room 00.031, 480 Northbourne Avenue Dickson/Microsoft Teams
<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
<b>Time:</b>	9:30 am – 12:30 pm
<b>Attendees:</b>	Professor Mark Howden (Chair), Associate Professor Aparna Lal, Dr Arnagretta Hunter, Associate Professor Cris Brack, Ms Mia Swainson, Dr Paul Bannister, Mr Tom Longden.
<b>Minister</b>	Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA, Minister for Water, Energy and Emissions Reduction and Ms Anna McGuire, Senior Policy Advisor.
<b>Apologies:</b>	Ms Lucinda Berrie (ACT Climate Change Council Secretariat), Ms Sophia Hamblin Wang, Mr Stephen Mudford (observer) and Ms Roslyn Brown (observer).
<b>Directorate Attendees:</b>	Mr Kieran Lawton (Acting Executive Group Manager, Climate Change & Energy Division), Ms Carolyn Goonrey (Senior Director, Climate Change Policy), Mr Perry Wiles (Director Adaptation and Resilience Policy) & Mr Mark Shorter (Director, Emissions Reduction Policy)
<b>Council Secretariat:</b>	Roshni Suchanti (ACT Climate Change Council Secretariat), Claire Avery-Jones (A/g Climate Change Council Secretariat).

## 1. Summary:

This was the ACT Climate Change Councils (Council) third meeting for the 2023-2024 financial year.

The Council discussed with the Minister the recent Council presentation on the review of emission reduction targets at the CASC meeting and requested input and feedback from the Minister. The Council also discussed the presentation of two CASC papers by the Council in February and April 2024 on behavioural insights and equity respectively.

The first 6-monthly report of the Councils community engagement strategy was presented and led to discussions on how to engage those not currently engaged on the topic of climate change. The Council further discussed with the Minister on to how best to incorporate the communities' views in the Councils advice.

Council member Ms Mia Swainson presented her paper 'How to build a Net Zero Society'. The Council agreed the paper will be a discussion topic to present at the CASC meeting in February 2024 and it would be a useful tool for public servants.

The Council assisted with input into the overview of work currently being conducted by the Adaption and Resilience Policy team, this included the importance of incorporation of biodiversity and the challenges associated with energy efficient building design and societies reliance on temperature control.

The Council also discussed Government business regarding working currently being conducted by the directorate: Integrated energy plan- community consultation update; an ACT internal value of carbon; and 'living well with a changing climate' ACT longitudinal survey on climate change resilience.