



# The Western Australian Local Government Declaration on Climate Change

**The Shire of Dandaragan** acknowledges that:

- Evidence shows that climate change is occurring.
- Climate change will continue to have significant effects on the Western Australian environment, society and economy, and the Local Government sector.
- Human behaviours, pollution and consumption patterns have both immediate and future impacts on the climate and environment.

**The Shire of Dandaragan** supports the:

- Environmental, social and economic benefits of addressing climate change.
- Opportunity for Local Government to demonstrate leadership in climate change management at a community level.
- Development of equitable and implementable State and Commonwealth strategies for climate change management.

**The Shire of Dandaragan** commits from date of signing to:

- Work with State and Federal Government to implement key actions and activities for climate change management at a local level.
- Assess the regionally specific risks associated with climate change and implications for Local Government services, and identify areas where appropriate mitigation and/or adaptation strategies should be applied.
- Develop an internal Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) for climate change actions across all Local Government functions. Ensure that, at appropriate review intervals, the strategic plan and policies for the Local Government are reviewed and amended to reflect climate change management priorities and emissions reduction targets.

- Encourage and empower the local community and local businesses to adapt to the impacts of climate change and to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.
- Monitor the progress of climate change initiatives and ensure full communication of achievements for Council and Community.

Signed:

**Mayor/President - Shire/City/Town**

**Date:**

Signed:

**President - Western Australian Local Government Association**

**Date:**