

We are currently asking for your feedback on the draft Climate Response Plan, as well as other environmental plans. These plans work together to demonstrate how we will create a clean and green city, where the natural environment is valued and protected.

To read the plans and see what is proposed, visit our community engagement portal, Participate PAE.

To join the conversation you can:

Complete a survey online at
participate.cityofpae.sa.gov.au/now



Speak to staff:

**13
June**

1 – 3pm,
Saturday
13 June at the
**Get Shady
Giveaway
event** at Parks
Library

**21
June**

10am – 2pm,
Sunday
21 June at the
**Community
Planting
Day event** at
RB Connolly
Reserve,
North Haven

**25
June**

7 – 8.30pm,
Thursday
25 June at the
**Community
Feedback
Workshop** at
the Town Hall,
Port Adelaide

**27
June**

12 – 2pm,
Saturday
27 June at
**Greenacres
Library**

DRAFT Climate Response Plan Summary 2026–31

Share your thoughts about our plan to reduce emissions, strengthen community resilience and consider climate in everyday decision making.

Draft Climate Response Plan at a Glance

Clean and Green City – a city that values its natural environment

Climate change is already affecting the City of PAE. Rising temperatures, more intense storms, coastal hazards and increasing energy costs create risks for our assets, services and community wellbeing.

This plan outlines how we will reduce emissions, strengthen resilience and make climate considerations part of everyday decision making.

Energy Efficient Council Operations

Circular and Low Emissions Supply Chain

Climate Resilient Organisation and Community

PAE's reliance on fossil fuels for fleet and buildings exposes us to rising costs, service disruption and future non-performing or obsolete assets. Electrification and energy efficiency reduce these risks.

Materials, construction and procurement are a growing share of our emissions. Better data and circular design will support us to reduce emissions.

Heat, flooding and coastal hazards threaten infrastructure, workforce safety and service delivery. Strong governance and climate-informed planning are essential.

- Optimise energy use at our sites
- Invest in energy technologies for our buildings
- Electrify the vehicle fleet and other equipment
- Deliver smart electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure to support our EV fleet
- Optimise public lighting operations and smart controls
- Transition council facilities away from fossil fuels

- Expand sustainable design and procurement practices
- Reduce emissions in civil works (roads, footpaths, infrastructure)
- Strengthen supply chain emissions data and supplier engagement
- Improve operational resource recovery and waste-related data

- Manage and report on climate risks
- Strengthen governance and accountability
- Build workforce readiness and capability
- Integrate climate into business decision making
- Improve data, reporting and decision-making tools
- Share our climate progress and lead by example

- Reduce Scope 1 and 2 emissions by at least 65% by 2030–31 from a 2020–21 baseline
- Strive towards net zero emissions by 2050

- Develop and implement a realistic guiding framework for suppliers that supports emissions data availability and quality and enables us to set a credible Scope 3 target by 2030–31

- Embed climate risk management principles across relevant policies, strategies and operations by 2031
- Develop and introduce a climate literacy training module for staff

Significant reductions in our Scope 1 and 2 emissions, achieved through reduced reliance on fossil fuels, increased renewable energy use and improved energy efficiency, leading to lower operational costs and a more sustainable organisation.

Improved Scope 3 data quality and stronger supplier engagement enable us to set credible emissions targets and reduce Scope 3 emissions through sustainable design and procurement.

Climate change is factored into everyday decisions across the council, supported by staff who understand climate risks and how to manage them.

Goal

Why it Matters

Focus Areas

Key Drivers

Initiatives

Targets

Outcomes