
SAFE CLIMATE PLEDGE

I acknowledge that:

- Climate change is happening. Our Earth is already dangerously hot. People, animals and whole ecosystems are dying as a consequence.
- At current levels of greenhouse gas emissions, we could reach an increase in global average temperature of 2°C within decades.
- 2°C of warming poses unacceptable risks. We must do all we can to avoid reaching this point and seek to return to a safe climate, where global carbon dioxide levels fall back below 350 parts per million.
- This means we must drastically reduce global greenhouse gas emissions, starting now, and simultaneously draw carbon dioxide out of our atmosphere so as to reach 'negative emissions' as soon as possible, no later than 2050.

I recognise that:

- To achieve this, all countries including Australia must mobilise at emergency speed and scale, transforming energy, transport, waste, agriculture and land use systems, as well as investing in 'carbon drawdown', and more.
- This includes actively phasing out the use of coal, oil and gas as quickly as possible.
- Such changes will be disruptive, but not compared to what will happen if we do not act in this way; and with such action will come opportunities for a healthier society, including a stronger economy.

As an elected representative it is my responsibility to act in the interest of my constituents, particularly where their safety is concerned. I must therefore do all I can to pursue policies that will limit global average temperature to below 2°C, whilst ensuring those who are most vulnerable or adversely affected by the changes we need to make are looked after.

I hereby commit to act with courage to:

- Develop, advocate for and support domestic policies and international measures that will allow Australia and all countries to reach 'negative emissions' as soon as possible; and
- Demonstrate leadership on climate change by working constructively with others in government, industry and my community to achieve this goal.

Signed _____, Honourable Member for the electorate of

_____, on this _____ day of _____, _____.