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## New Report Sparks Calls for Council Pledge on Climate Change

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Local Greens are calling on Waverley Council to heed a new report from the Climate Council and make a pledge for local action on climate change.

The <u>Climate Council report</u> shows local governments are able to deliver effective action and are "leading State and Federal governments on tackling climate change and capitalising on opportunities in renewable energy."

In conjunction with the report, the Climate Council has invited local governments to sign up to its <u>Cities</u> <u>Power Partnership pledge</u>.

Councilor Dominic Wy Kanak Greens candidate for Bondi Ward in the upcoming council elections said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for Waverley. As a coastal Council, Waverley is already well aware of influences of climate change on its beaches. This initiative will assist in accessing the networks and sharing of ideas from local governments and cities across Australia.

"The Climate Council action report backs up the view that local government is well placed to lead communities in adapting to the changing climate."

"Policies to reduce emissions include promotion of renewable energy and sustainable transport solutions, divestment from fossil fuel industries, design innovations and improvements in waste management"

"Taking the Climate Council's pledge will give Waverley access to resources that support meaningful, measurable action in our local community.

"Climate change is a global issue. Taking action at a local level matters as it builds momentum and influences others to do the same."

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