

Networks To Action

Bringing a community of activism together to create powerful, visible and interdependent action





Speak the truth, declare an emergency and develop a visible movement or symbol

Declare a climate and ecological emergency at all levels
Recognise our system is broken (eg growth, first nations genocide)
Act as though the truth is real:
Act at all levels (individual & society wide) with an emphasis on solutions (technological and political) in an interconnected way including diverse communities especially first nation peoples.

Use strong language; climate and ecological, emergency, crisis not 'climate change'

A new logo for the ENTIRE transition/climate movement, so we are connected, prominent, normalized. Something like a patchwork of current logos arranged into a symbol. Stickers, patches, put on event advertising banners, a multi-logo 'quilt' etc



How we do and how we can engage with community.

Engage people at a grass roots level to create change

Promote Transition Streets in existing transition towns etc. and new areas too. Spread the word of transition streets to promote grassroots interest. *'from little things bit things grow'*

Pot luck dinners in the neighbourhood hosting repeating dinner

DIY Micro Community Garden. Two or more neighbours pooling common space to grow food ie. verge on front yard

Encourage and have conversations to bring more people in. Deal with the idea of 'other' to increase engagement with those who we would think of as others. Who is not with us now and how to get them in.

Ongoing monthly Food Fun Raising Event in local street neighbourhood communicated by word of mouth

Create a 'Rent a Grandparents opportunity' for those who haven't parents/grandparents to help care for children.

Events to hear the needs of the community and connect on a common goal

Learning, training and practicing.



Develop and practice skill to encourage and celebrate the silence so that we can hear quiet voices, particularly elders and 'authentic souls' rather than experts. Promoting the idea to look forward 7 generations in our decision making.

Local Food -Enhancing 'Backyard Sharing'

1. Share the "how to get started/what is it through Transition Australia
2. More specifically, for improvements
 - a. Explore ways of making it more attractive to landowners
 - b. Expand the concept to landowners and gardeners sharing the gardening

Helping the public understand why the future will include deep economic contraction

Empowering 'us' on pscho/social/spiritual level. This could include:

- Healing trauma
- 'We' practices - a way of being together
- Nature/deep ecology/first nations leadership eg women's talking circle

Spaces to learn, grow and heal

Intentional Eco-Community. Nature healing focus (for residents and others), learning to live together (including non-violent conflict resolution skills). Starting with ample land and a 'Wurruk'an' type of community housing food growing etc.

Various stakeholders (communities, hospital, uni, property developers, employers etc)... build a showcase suburb/town/small city holistically. Include green space, walking streets, food forests, edible garden, multi-generational residence, affordable housing, preventive medicine hospital, well being collective etc. Then using this replicable scalable model build more and take elements to retrofit suburbs

Nature Healing Centre(s). - Save the Planet- Savour the Planet
When people become reconnected with earth (ie a oneness with earth)

- Trauma work where need
- Embrace, Grief, Paradox, Uncertainty



How we work together



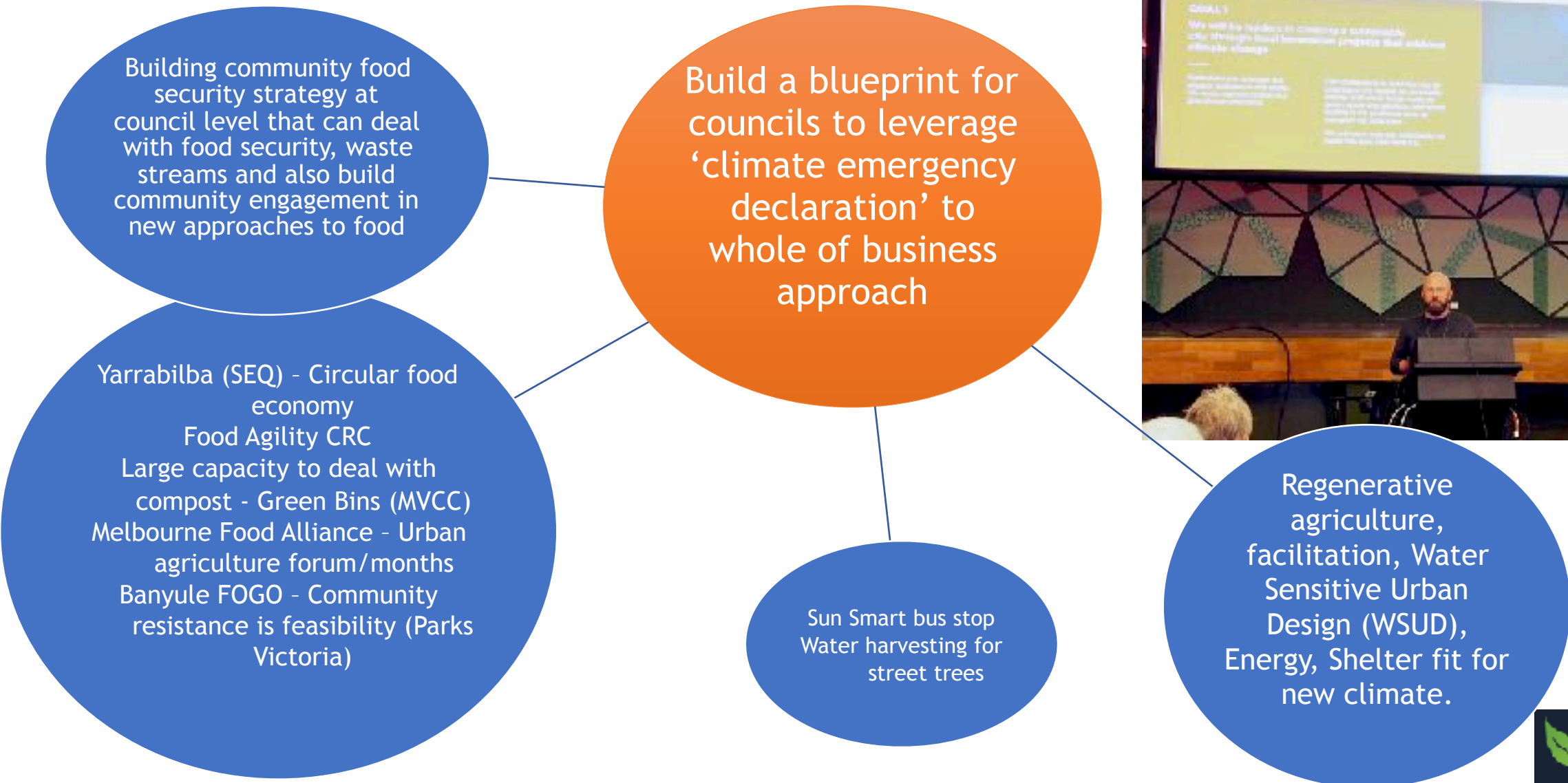
- Find out what is existing rather than start something new (eg re-invigorating learning exchange)
- Making connections between people and resources eg land and people who want to work on it (land and labour)
- Look at working examples: methods, changing systems, local
- Interest project base - people connect around interests
- Localised action

Making Transition Towns activities child friendly with activities for children to do, food and at times that are appropriate for children
Infiltrate the sporting clubs

To create greater inclusivity in Transition Groups

- Reflect on, become aware of barriers and attitudes around culture/gender/socio-economic etc
- Consult with existing communities eg lower SES to create connection

Working with local Council



New approaches to economics and politics

Funded alternative economic (ie heterodox) think tank - either freestanding (like commonwealth thinktank (or supporting the Australian Institute - expanded role with extra funding

Love Forest - Love Life

Lobbying governments to acknowledge the link between climate change and the loss of local biodiversity. Provide direction and certainty for impacted workers (Cath)

Using direct action to get the government to transition to a steady state economy whilst also steering away from neoliberal focused climate mitigation solutions - an education program to help mitigate political scaremongering and political violence

New Measures for our economy and society

- Empathy
- Community connection
- Ecological health
- Index of health and resilience
- Universal living income?
- Changing Values
- Localisation
- Other cultural examples
- Holistic
- Planning around health outcomes

Local projects and protests for change

An organisation which supports vulnerable people by integrating into spare rooms/housing in the community with support of whole neighbourhood

9% of plastic is recycled and in 2020 plastic production in the US is to double

1. How to express anger
 - a. Vote with your \$\$\$, Remove and leave at checkout, plastic free campaign,
2. How to bring about change
 - a. A petition, public education, another war on waste series?
3. How to leverage ban on single use plastic bags and institute soft plastic recycling at supermarkets
4. Five year plan by supermarkets - role of governments

Deep Gratitude Pause before meal breaks to acknowledge inter-connectedness with all life on earth. Like an acknowledgement of country bring about gratitude practice and acknowledge our intake (food supply, consumption) to highlight deep and ongoing connection with the earth.

Darebin Loves Nature - Ethical paper pledge to only use 100% recycled paper)

Communications and Media

Creating a Multiple YouTube channel or pod-cast series to Transition Australia Umbrella)

1. Promote awareness of what we are doing
2. Promote Action and how to do it
3. Showcase local people doing it

Promote 'citizen journalism' through shared platform with text, video and podcasts

More focus on video for learning. le transition website to be a hub for videos on 'show me how' like topics

