



SUSTAINABILITY IN THE GAP

Newsletter 5



COMMUNITY SEMINAR SERIES

7.30 PM @ TAYLOR RANGE COUNTRY CLUB

28 Greenlanes Rd, Ashgrove QLD 4060

Thank you to Mr Alexander Stathakis for providing a most interesting presentation on the 14th of April. Alex explained that CO² and other Greenhouse Gases such as Methane count towards the carbon footprint, and contribute to [Global warming](#). This includes direct and indirect contributions. Direct are those we produce ourselves such as when driving our car; indirect are those created by others, for example farmers to produce our food. Most of the carbon footprint of households comes from transport (cars), electricity, water and food production. Therefore, reducing waste in any of those components is the most efficient to reduce our carbon footprint, such as using active or public transport, switching to low electricity usage appliances etc. Alex also explained carbon offsets, and that multiple organisations offer the opportunity to compensate for your emissions, similar to those suggested by airlines when you book a ticket. Trees are planted or other efforts made somewhere in the world to take the emissions we create out of the atmosphere. To know how much you need to offset you can use a carbon footprint calculator ([see our website](#)). A good way to start is to take the [Brisbane carbon challenge](#).

We continue our successful series with another knowledge exchange event:

On **12th May, 2021 starting at 7.30 pm** we are conducting the third in our seminars in our energy, before switching to the topic of waste minimisation in June.

Our presenter for the evening will be Mr Luke Reade, Policy Advocate (Energy and Climate Change) from the Energetic Communities Association Inc

Luke led a successful community initiative in South Brisbane, equipping a food shed with solar panels by community investment. He will talk to us about different ways communities can invest in communal projects and the benefits this has for the investors and the community, including starting new businesses, and creating jobs.

We will also present results from our first community survey. We hope to see you at these seminars on the 12th May 2021 and 9th of June.

Yours sincerely The Gap Sustainability Initiative

What is next?

Education seminar on the
12th May 2021, 7.30pm
Taylor Range Club

Please spread the word
Invite your friends and
neighbours to join us!!

Purpose?

Hear about community
investment in solar and
discuss if such an initiative
could be possible in
The Gap?

Actions?

Take the [Brisbane carbon challenge](#)
and start to reduce your
carbon footprint now!

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