



SUSTAINABILITY IN THE GAP

Newsletter 6—Transport and Waste



COMMUNITY SEMINAR SERIES

7.30 PM @ TAYLOR RANGE COUNTRY CLUB

28 Greenlanes Rd, Ashgrove QLD 4060

We had a most interesting seminar last Wednesday. First, we presented our [new facebook page please like it!](#)

We also showed the Facebook page of [Climate Action 4061](#), a local sustainability advocacy group currently running the plastic-free July initiative at local schools - what a great idea! If you want to get involved please [email](#) them directly, or join the [plastic free challenge](#) at home or office !

There were many important topics raised in Councillor Toomey's talk, the audience would have loved to have had more time to ask questions. An overview of the [active transport](#) programme was presented highlighting healthy and environmentally beneficial methods of transport for school kids and parents including walking, school bus, car-pooling, and biking. Transitioning to these modes of transport will help reduce traffic congestion and pollution in The Gap and surrounding suburbs.

Following a review by the BCC, city cycles will be replaced with [electric cycles and scooters](#). There are beam and neutron apps that you can download to use them. Councillor Toomey also touched on future projects involving [big transport corridors and projects](#) that could alleviate commuter traffic coming through The Gap.

Waste was the next topic, with explanations of the [Brisbane bin app](#) for where to recycle pieces and what to do to avoid waste altogether. For example, at [Keperra station](#), you can drop anything that could still be useable (e.g. old furniture) into the recycling section. It will be sold and the money then goes to the [Endeavour foundation](#). You can recycle waste, paint, electronics and other hazardous materials, and also leave green waste for composting. If you have questions for Councillor Toomey or other local members, pls [email](#) them to us, so we can collate and forward.

Our next seminar focusses on air pollution. **Prof Lidia Morawska, Director of the International Laboratory of Air Quality and Health** will explain **indoor and outdoor air pollution** and why we should be concerned. Did you know for example, that [car tyres and break pads are major contributors of microplastic](#) in the air? Please come along on Wednesday the 14th July **starting at 7.30 pm to hear Prof Morawska speak.**

Stay informed by liking us on [Facebook](#).

We hope to see you at the seminar on the 14th July.

Yours sincerely,

The Gap Sustainability Initiative

What is next?

Next seminar on the
14th July 2021, 7.30pm

Taylor Range Club

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

Purpose?

Do you know what contributes
to air pollution? How does
The Gap rank with regards to
it? What can you do to pro-
tect yourself and your loved
ones, and keep the environ-
ment free of air pollution?

Actions?

Please [email](#) us your ques-
tions about any sustainabil-
ity topics you would like
more information on - be it
active travel, waste minimi-
sation or Western corridor
planning.

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