

Community Research Project

A JUST TRANSITION FOR COLLIE THAT LEAVES NO-ONE BEHIND

THE PROJECT

Reductions in coal mining and coal-fired power production in Collie will lead to major change in the lives of people in the town and region.

Our project involves supporting Collie community members to achieve the type of transition you need and deserve; one which reduces inequality and provides a positive future for the whole community. We will also explore how climate change affects people in Collie.

Edith Cowan University, Climate Justice Union and Collie community members are working together to:

- Identify groups within Collie who will be adversely affected by changes in the coal industry, and increase understanding of how they will be affected.
- Identify how climate change is already impacting the Collie community and what impacts are likely in the near, medium and long term.
- Identify actions to reduce adverse impacts and the impacts of climate change in the ongoing transition planning and implementation processes

Everything we do will be led by and include Collie community members.

COMMUNITY UPDATE NOVEMBER 2021

In June 2021 after speaking with various Collie community members and local stakeholders the CJU were awarded a small grant by the Koorabup Trust to initiate a community based project in partnership with researchers at Edith Cowan university.

July - Aug: Community members and stakeholders were notified the CJU had been successful in receiving the grant. ECU's Centre for People Place and Planet provided additional funding. Agreements and contracts between CJU and ECU were written and signed.

Sept: Leonie Scoffern was employed (part time) in the Collie Community Liaison role. The project team began to meet and plan the project.

Sept - Nov: Meetings and conversations held within the community. These have included conversations with stakeholders engaged in the Collie Just Transition Plan, local Noongar Elders, Collie community members and people working within local non government organisations.

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WHAT NEXT

Upon receiving ethics approval from Edith Cowan University Leonie and the team will discuss with local organisations and community members the best timing for a series of community workshops.

The community workshops are likely to begin in February 2022.

These workshops will include a fun social mapping exercise to help identify how changes in Collie will impact people in the community and what priorities folks have for the future.

We will then hold a series of action planning workshops, where we will review outcomes from earlier sessions together. The goal for this workshop will be for community members to identify opportunities and actions which strengthen the Just Transition process in Collie.

WANT TO BE INVOLVED?

If you want to be on our mailing list for updates and to be notified about community events you can speak to or email Leonie (details below).

Alternatively you can use the QR code below to sign up or use this web link:

<https://forms.gle/ypnJtLehr8Yw6Pif9>

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