

**26/6/2023: Letter Sent to the District Council of Yankalilla [in response to their stance on ‘climate change’]**

**To: District Council of Yankalilla [South Australia]  
26 June 2023**

Dear Council

I am writing on behalf of Empowering Community, a local network of residents who share concerns over disturbing global trends that are now impacting our personal lives and local communities.

In particular, we are concerned about the effect on civil liberties, property rights, energy costs and communal wellbeing by any Council proposals, decisions and developments based on

1. an alleged ‘climate emergency’ and/or
2. Smart City technology

One of our goals is to educate the community about these issues, so that should Council seek to implement undemocratically restrictive, or intrusive policies - based on questionable narratives, or unproven claims - the community would be well-informed and thereby better equipped to respond. We also hope to host educational public forums that would allow for open discussion and debate - and which Council members would be welcome to attend.

**You can find our website at [www.empoweringcommunity.net](http://www.empoweringcommunity.net)**

**Firstly, then, we are concerned about your stance on ‘climate’ and the harmful impact that policies based on a ‘climate crisis’ narrative and agenda could have on the community.**

On your Council website you have made the following broad assertion:

*The increasing frequency and severity of extreme weather events, such as floods, droughts, bushfires, storms and periods of extreme heat, threaten the physical and mental health and wellbeing of our communities, especially priority populations.*

In your Draft Regional Public Health Plan you have also stated:

*Climate change is impacting health in many ways, including from increasingly frequent extreme weather events, the disruption of food systems, increases in zoonoses and food, water and vectorborne diseases, and mental health issues.*

**What, exactly, is the scientific basis of your claims here?** Are you able to provide details of reputable published studies which verify that we have ‘increasingly frequent extreme weather events’ that can

‘generate an unacceptably high and potentially catastrophic risk to human health’? There exists a wealth of published evidence, in the form of actual scientific data, that indicates otherwise.

**Why do you not include on your website the equally legitimate, alternative perspectives offered by credible climate experts? Why the selective bias?** Please take the time to consider the wealth of material on the following **fact-based** ‘climate science’ websites:

[clintel.org](http://clintel.org)

[CO2coalition.org](http://CO2coalition.org)

[realclimatescience.com](http://realclimatescience.com)

15th International Conference on Climate Change

[climateconference.heartland.org/](http://climateconference.heartland.org/)

Bear in view that **‘science’ which can’t be questioned isn’t genuine science. It’s propaganda.** If you believe we have a ‘climate crisis’, then be prepared to argue the scientific basis of your belief in public. Otherwise, have the humility and honesty to admit that it’s an unsubstantiated belief.

You also state:

*Climate change is also undermining key determinants of health, such as livelihoods, cost of living, equality and access to health care and social support.*

Blaming ‘climate change’ for the results of inadequate Government policies in the areas of healthcare, social services, equality and cost of living is convenient, but also an instance of **circular reasoning** - a far cry from a proven correlation between these socioeconomic issues and climate. Logically **you can’t, in other words, claim the existence of a correlation by appealing to an unproven starting assumption that there is a correlation.**

You further state that:

*Our region’s emissions must be reduced to mitigate the impacts on community health and wellbeing, property and infrastructure, and energy/insurance prices.*

Again, you resort to **circular reasoning (rather than verified facts)** by asserting that health, property and insurance issues, and energy costs are impacted by ‘climate change’, rather than the result of (e.g.) socioeconomic, cultural, interpersonal, spiritual, dietary and political factors.

To state the obvious: ‘climate change’ is happening all the time - and has been taking place for billions of years. However, we’re now witnessing a **deliberately orchestrated, growing global trend to use ‘climate’ alarmism in an attempt to blame all kinds of illnesses, personal crises and socioeconomic problems on ‘climate change’,** about which there is **no scientific consensus.**

We invite you to listen to what Senator Malcolm Roberts has to say about this in his 10 minute address to Australia's recent 'Climate and Energy Forum':

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwIrAQUs1Gs](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwIrAQUs1Gs)

Can you also clarify what you mean by **reducing our 'carbon footprint'**? Scientifically, it's a gobbledygook phrase, since a) we are carbon-based lifeforms and so all our 'footprints' are unavoidably carbonated, and b) it assumes we have an 'excess carbon' problem. Again, are you able to provide factual evidence for your implied claim, bearing in view that there is substantial scientific evidence that we are, rather, **suffering from seriously depleted, historically all-time low CO2 levels?** **Furthermore, carbon (in the form of CO2) is *not* a pollutant but is, rather, essential to life.**

For detailed information, see our section on Climate Change [www.empoweringcommunity.net/climate-change](http://www.empoweringcommunity.net/climate-change)

Are you able to provide details of published scientific studies which prove that a) we have dangerously excess CO2, or that CO2 is in any way a problem, and b) that human activity is significantly detrimental to climate (i.e. causing impacts that exceed the range of normal historical variations)? If not, then perhaps you should withdraw your insistence that we need to 'reduce our carbon footprint'.

As actual **climate expert Ian Plimer** [University of Melbourne Professor Emeritus, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences] explains:

*Australian forests absorb 940 million tonnes of carbon dioxide per annum compared to our domestic and industrial emissions of 417 million tonnes. Add to that the absorption of carbon dioxide in continental Australia to the CO2 absorption of 2,500,000 square kilometres of continental shelf waters and Australia sequesters some five times as much CO2 as it emits. We are already at Net Zero.*

[See Prof. Plimer's video at [www.empoweringcommunity.net/climate-change](http://www.empoweringcommunity.net/climate-change)]

In addition, you include a file (NOT penned by climate experts, but by GPs) on 'How Climate Change Affects Your Health' on your website. The World Health Organisation, a heavily globalist funded, unelected, undemocratic, largely bureaucratic organisation cited as a source of climate facts in this file, is currently attempting to override personal and national sovereignty by seeking to dictate the health policies of the entire world, through their proposed 'Pandemic Treaty' and amendments to International Health Regulations. **This tyrannical organisation is, therefore, hardly a reliable source of objective 'climate' information.**

Note these comments from David Bell at Brownstone Institute: [brownstone.org/articles/amendments-who-ihr-annotated-guide/](http://brownstone.org/articles/amendments-who-ihr-annotated-guide/)

'Like many WHO employees, I personally witnessed, and am aware of, examples of seeming corruption within the organization, from Regional Director elections to building renovations and importation of goods.' Through the WHO's proposed International Health Regulation, **'the underlying equality of individuals is removed, and rights become subject to a status determined by others**

**based on a set of criteria that they define.** This entirely upends the prior understanding of the relationship of all individuals with authority, at least in non-totalitarian states. It is a **totalitarian approach** to society, within which individuals may act only on the sufferance of others who wield power outside of legal sanction.'

See Dr John Campbell's overview of this WHO power grab at

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooKyYEvIhYk&t=5s](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooKyYEvIhYk&t=5s)

Please also see our material on the WHO at [www.empoweringcommunity.net/who](http://www.empoweringcommunity.net/who)

In summary, **putting forward unproven, sweeping generalisations about a 'climate emergency' risks creating a slippery slope that over time would undoubtedly lead to the erosion of our civil liberties in the name of an alleged 'climate crisis'.**

Similar concerns surround the recent local implementation of 'Smart City' technology. **Anything labelled 'Smart' - whether phones, electricity meters, public signs, or cities - is based on technology designed to ultimately provide 24/7 surveillance of all citizens.** The City of Unley has already installed 'Smart City' surveillance to monitor every area of the suburb. In other words, **installing 'Smart Signs' (as Lions Club are currently doing locally)** - and touting them as a harmless way to announce local events - opens the door to other 'Smart' technology being installed and (possibly) used for less benign purposes.

Please take the time to carefully consider the material in our section on Smart Cities at [www.empoweringcommunity.net/smart-cities](http://www.empoweringcommunity.net/smart-cities)

We took forward to your response to the concerns and questions raised in this letter. Please also be advised that this letter will be published online and copies sent to members of other Councils, key politicians and media representatives.

Kind regards

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[On behalf of the 'Empowering Community' network]