

# Central Victorian Primary Care Partnership (CVPCP)

## PCP For Community Resilience Project Report

### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands of Mount Alexander Shire the Jaara Jaara People of the Dja Dja Wurrung Nation who have cared for this country, its mountains, trees, animals, waters, birds since the beginning.

We acknowledge that they never ceded sovereignty of this land. This land is, was and always will be Aboriginal land.

We recognise that they met all their resource, energy, health and wellbeing, needs from a deep sense of connection to country and strong sense of community. They all had shelter and a role. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

### PCP4CR workshop readiness

Fifteen representatives from a diversity of organisations Mount Alexander Shire Council (MASC), Castlemaine District Community Health (CHIRP), Nalderun (a service that supports the Aboriginal Community, lead by Aboriginal people), Mount Alexander Shire Disability Advocacy Group (MASDAG), St Vincents De Paul, Mount Alexander Shire Council (MASC), Castlemaine Community House (CCH), Maldon Neighbourhood House, Mount Alexander Sustainability Group (MASG), Castlemaine District Community Health (CHIRP), Central Victorian Greenhouse Gas Alliance (CVGA) attended the PCP4CR workshops.

Prior to the workshops readiness conversations took place with the invited stakeholders and others (who identify as working to address the impacts of climate change and or in the field of health and wellbeing) to scope what was already happening in the Mount Alexander Shire regarding addressing the impacts of climate change on the health and wellbeing of people in a vulnerable state (see below).

## Current work in Mount Alexander Shire to build community resilience in the face of climate change



The scoping also included outcomes stakeholders wished for as a result of this project.

### **Desired Outcomes of PCP4CR strategy**

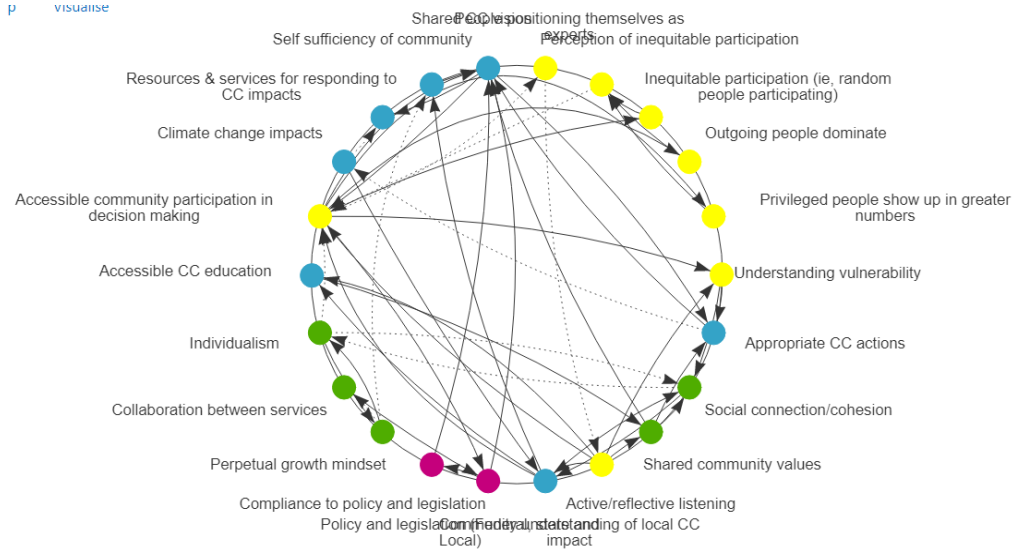
- Social Justice/system change
- Disadvantaged/vulnerable community members' experience informing this work
- Shared understanding of vulnerability and the impacts of vulnerability on health
- Shared understanding of impacts of climate change on vulnerable community members
- Improved collaboration/alignment/coordination of our work
- Equity in access to affordable Renewable Energy
- Reducing MAS carbon emissions
- Improved health and well being
- Principles to guide action
- Improved access to affordable, sustainable, secure, safe housing
- Improved access to cool spaces
- Tell an inclusive story
- Improved community resilience and climate change policy/plans

### **PCP4CR workshops**

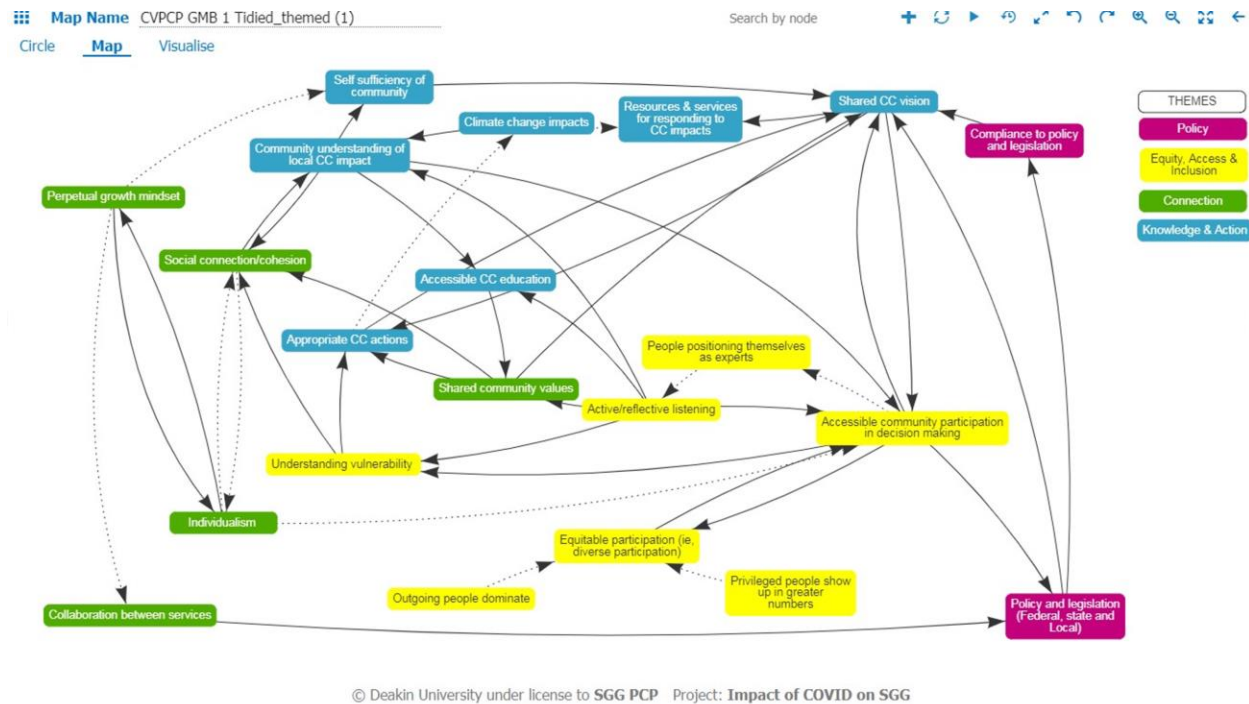
Unfortunately due to the impacts of COVID 19 the workshops were only held earlier this year and the second workshop had to be postponed due to the snap lock down.

The first two workshops facilitated by SGGPCP -see connecting of variables below

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The final mapping tool



## PCP4CR strategic framework and action plan

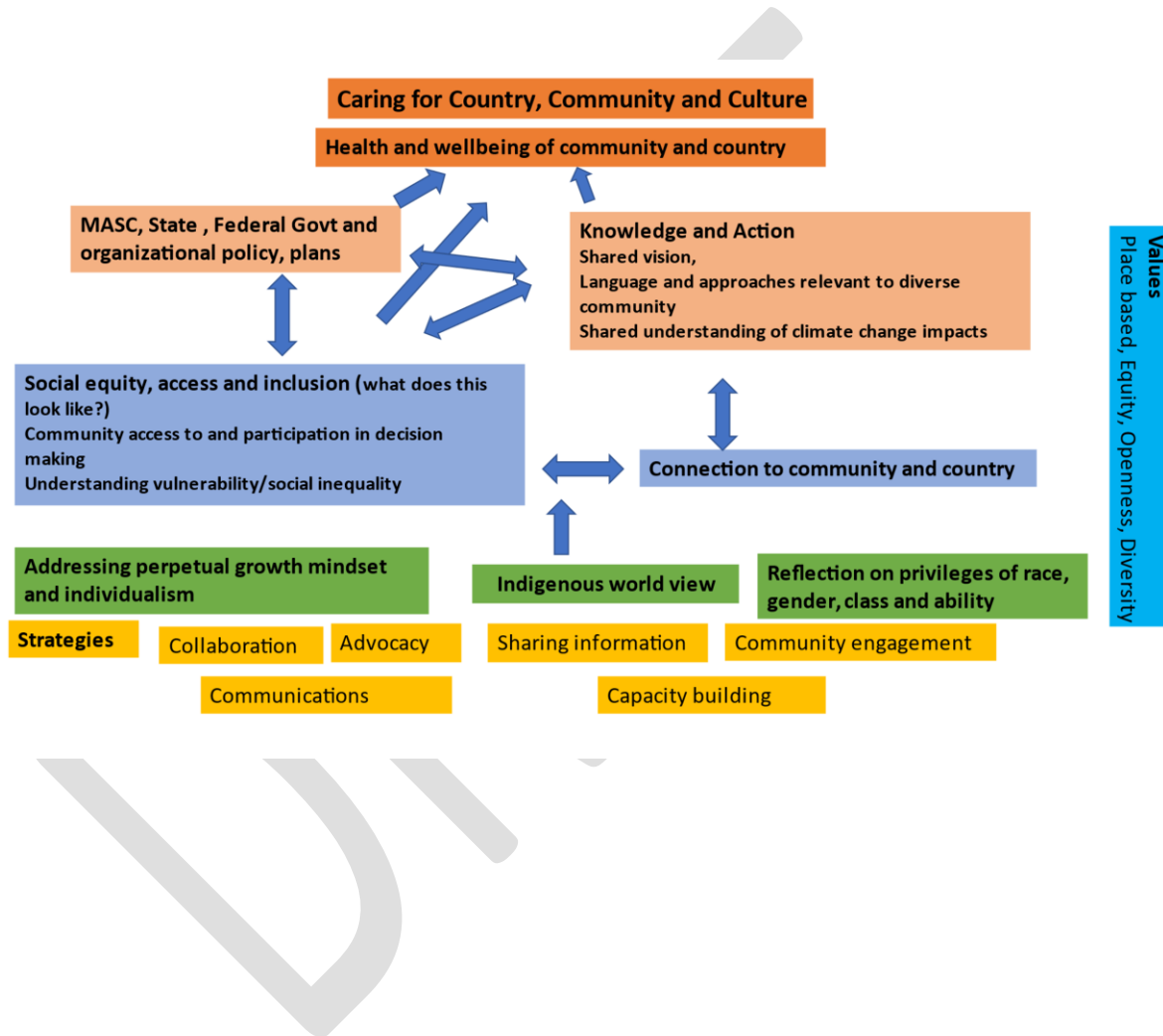
During the second workshop it was realised that the group recognised the benefit of this mapping as a tool but needed a framework to guide and contain the work going forward.

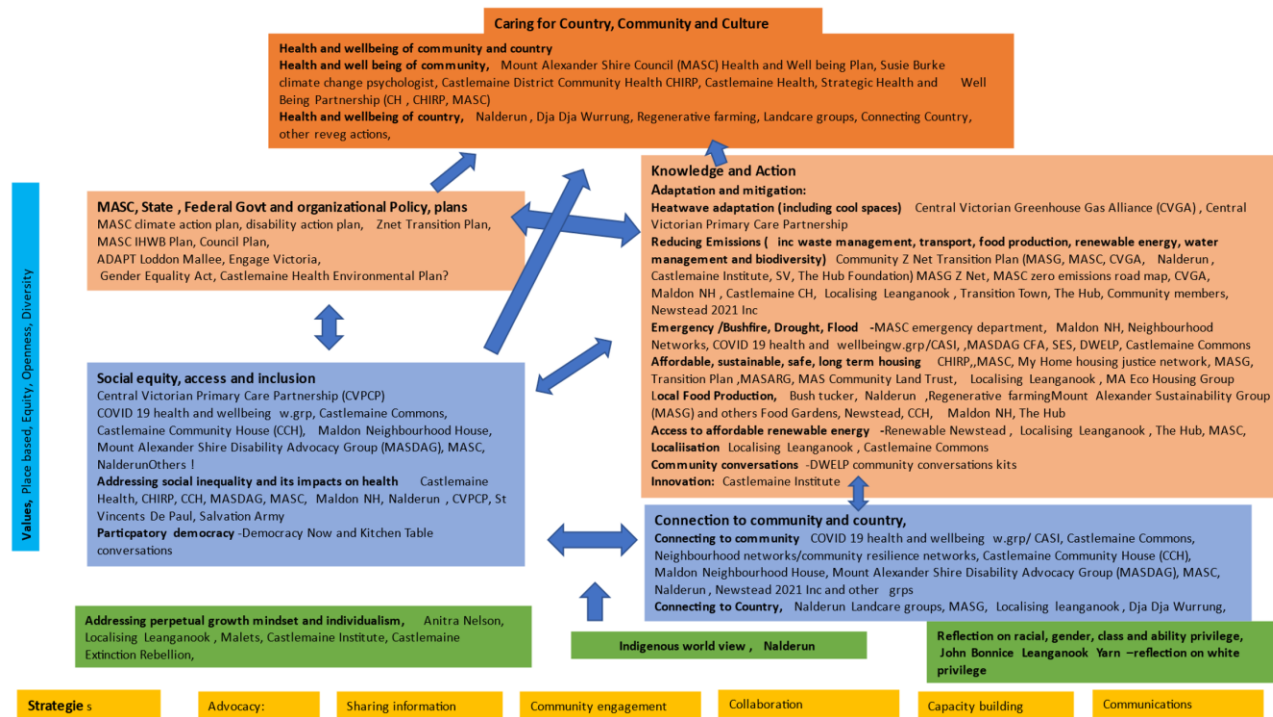
The group were clear on wishing there to be explicit reference to addressing impacts of climate change amplifying disadvantage thus needed a framework that was about enabling major social change using climate change as a catalyst.

The group wished a framework that held the emerging key themes but had a platform which included reference to reflection on privileges, addressing the perpetual growth mindset and an Indigenous World View. They suggested a goal or vision statement of “Caring for Community, Culture and Country”

The following framework was drafted and endorsed at a following CVPCP workshop early May. In this workshop stakeholders also began sharing stories of each others work to begin to build a shared understanding of the expanse and depth of work happening, avoid duplication and strengthen collaboration.

The second map is of the scoping of the current work in the Shire according to this strategic framework and guides the content of the Action Plan.





The following draft action plan was developed identifying gaps in the above mapping and new prioritised actions

<b>PCP 4CR Draft Action Plan</b>		
<b>Key theme</b>	<b>Strategy/Activity</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>Coordination of the work/strategic framework</b>	PCP4CR to develop appropriate strategic and operational alignments with the Community Transition Plan (to Zero emission) (Nalderun, Mount Alexander Shire Council (MASC) ,Central Victorian Greenhouse Gas Alliance (CVGA) ,Mount Alexander Sustainability Group (MASG) and led by Castlemaine Institute; and Castlemaine Health, Castlemaine District Community Health (CHIRP), MASC-the Mount Alexander Shire Strategic Health and Well being Partnership	CVPCP Castlemaine Health, Castlemaine District Community Health, MASC and Castlemaine Institute to liase  Development of central platform of Information, resources -CVPCP, CI, Castlemaine Commons
	Participatory democracy processes, deliberative democracy training and education-	Everyone in PCP4CR group and others invited to do Mosaic Lab Deliberative Democracy training-26 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
	Social inclusion framework to be applied to work	CVPCP circulating Social Inclusion framework <a href="https://centralvicpcp.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/BSIRC_A3-Framework.pdf">https://centralvicpcp.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/BSIRC_A3-Framework.pdf</a> CVPCP to coordinate workshop to discuss framework
	Analysis of Connect Maldon report and COVID responses to understand Tarrengower community vulnerabilities	CVPCP to continue to liase with Maldon Neighbourhood House and share this work with PCP4CR group and others
<b>Caring for and connecting to community and country</b>	MASG retrofitting programme	Supports for houses within retrofitting programme-CVPCP, CHIRP, MASG
	Build on Castlemaine Commons work, neighbourhood networks, building on social/organisational connections that happened during COVID	Working group-Castlemaine Commons, Castlemaine Institute, Mount Alexander Shire Disability Advocacy Group (MASDAG), West End



	Kitchen table conversations and community conversation kits	network, Maldon Neighbourhood House, CVPCP. CVPCP to coordinate (review previous KTC proposal)
	Support “Wilderhoods” project	CVPCP to liaise with Cassia Read Wilderhoods project coordinator
<b>Caring for and connecting to community and country Climate change Knowledge and Action-</b>	Deep climate change risk analysis and benchmark data collation	Working group- Dona Cayetana (DWELP), Cam Walker (FOE), Castlemaine Institute , Maldon Neighbourhood House, MASC, CHIRP, CVPCP CVPCP to coordinate .
<b>Caring for and connecting to country</b>	Consideration that connection to country, health and wellbeing of country included in MASC Health and Well being Plan Aligns with Donut Economic Model <a href="https://doughnuteconomics.org/about-doughnut-economics">https://doughnuteconomics.org/about-doughnut-economics</a>	Consider liasing with Nalderun, local regenerative farmers and landcare groups on this idea and takin conversation to MASC
	Connecting Country and Landcare groups –changing plant types for climate resilience	CVGA to lead
<b>Climate change Knowledge and Action-</b>	Cool Spaces Included in Hub concept within Strategic Health and Wellbeing Partnership In the interim: CVPCP’s Cool Community Spaces submission to Infrastructure Victoria included in The Draft Infrastructure Strategy and specifically mentions Mount Alexander Shire as a location for early funding. The final strategy will be tabled in Parliament in the middle of the year.	CVPCP to follow up on possibilities of funding from Infrastructure Victoria
	Accessible climate change workshops, -reduce electricity bills, bush fire etc Educational packs -using inclusive language, pitching climate change in ways that are relevant to diverse community	To follow after participatory democracy training-with Transition Plan, Castlemaine Institute and Localising Leanganook

	Workshops to share what everyone is doing in this work - with broad community engagement and consultation piece Could be part of Localising Leanganook Convergence which has minimal funding, postponed due to COVID	CVPCP and Castlemaine Institute to check in with Localising Leanganook
	Identify local 2030 zero emissions champions and capture their stories	Could be linked with Transition Plan
<b>Reflection on privileges</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflection on white privilege, structural racism, decolonising and being an effective ally. (John Bonnice and Leanganook Yarn)</li> <li>• Pay the rent (Nalderun)</li> <li>• Professional development for service providers on disability literacy</li> <li>• Unconscious bias training,</li> </ul>	Everyone and their organisations encouraged to do these trainings and Pay The Rent CVPCP to circulate information on trainings MASDAG to circulate information on disability literacy
<b>Indigenous world view training (Nalderun)</b>	Recommended do this training after Reflection on white privilege, structural racism, decolonising and being an effective ally.	Everyone and their organisations encouraged to do this training, can liase with CVPCP
<b>Policy/Plans (MASC, State , Federal and organisational)</b>	Workshops to assist organisations/businesses to create and implement internal policies, including review process, relating to climate change action	Could be with Community Transition Plan
	Advocate -to change Vic Planning and Environmental Act 1987 to deal with climate change -lead by CVGA	CVPCP checking in with CVGA to lead
	Ensuring climate change adaptation sits across MASC departments-climate change, housing, Health and Wellbeing, planning, infrastructure, disability	CVPCP, MASC and CVGA
<b>Addressing perpetual growth mindset and individualism</b>		CVPCP and Castlemaine Institute support other current actions (see mud map of current caring for country, community and culture)

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