



Australian Community
Futures Planning
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We have it in our power to create the world anew

ACFP was set up in March 2020.

Our purpose is to give Australians an efficient means by which they can increase their shares of power and influence in their democracy, take more control of their future, and build the sort of country they want to leave to future generations.

Find us and become involved at

<https://www.austcfp.com.au>

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What's been happening at ACFP?

- We have launched a new series of introductory videos on *National Integrated Planning & Reporting*
- Another 16 Targets and Strategies have been added to *Australia Together*
- A new line has been added to the *Vision for Australia Together*
- Articles by ACFP's Founder are appearing in the media.

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It's time to explain how National Integrated Planning & Reporting works. It's an opportunity not to be missed. Find the [new video series](#) explaining National IP&R and become involved.



has arrived, and not a minute too soon.

ACFP introduces Australia to the value of becoming involved in National Integrated Planning & Reporting

This month ACFP has launched our three-part videocast series explaining National Integrated Planning & Reporting or National IP&R.

ACFP has been working for more than two years to develop and test National IP&R and we are now able to show Australians the extraordinary value they can enjoy by becoming involved in this brand new process within our democracy.

What is  *National Integrated Planning & Reporting?*



Or ...

How Australians can rise above politics and set the agenda for the nation's future

Click here to view *What is National Integrated Planning & Reporting?* Available on YouTube 

On launching the new series on YouTube, ACFP's Founder, Dr Bronwyn Kelly said that:

“ If Australians are looking for a way to take more control of their lives and secure a better future for their families; if they're looking for a way to make politicians hear them and take better care of future generations; if they're looking for a way to rise above politics and establish decency and ethics in our democracy; then National Integrated Planning & Reporting is the key.

National IP&R can help us all rise above the squabbles and set the agenda we really want for the nation's future.




In *What is National Integrated Planning & Reporting?*, Bronwyn asks viewers to: *Imagine for a moment an Australia where we don't have to choose from the impoverished policy menus offered to us by political parties and where instead we can insist they choose from our menus.*

Sounds impossible? No, it's not.




On YouTube now: Find out how easy it is for any and every Australian to revive our democracy and chart a safe path to a better future with National IP&R.

Australian Community Futures Planning



What is National IP&R?



Episode Guide

Episode 1

Episode 2

Episode 3

Opportunities & efficiencies from National IP&R and Australia Together

Introducing National Integrated Planning & Reporting

- Part 1** What's the purpose of National IP&R? And why now?
- Part 2** How National IP&R can give Australians a more powerful voice in their democracy.

How does National IP&R work?

- Part 1**
 - Where does National IP&R come from? The eight elements of National IP&R.
 - Element 1** – Community engagement in an orderly public open space
 - Element 2** – the Vision for *Australia Together*
 - Element 3** – Safe Directions
 - Element 4** – Targets and Strategies
- Part 2**
 - Element 5** – Long term national financial planning
 - Element 6** – Open and transparent comment channels
- Part 3**
 - Element 7** – *Australia Together* National Wellbeing Index
 - Element 8** – The End of Term Report

Give us your views on the new line that has been added to the draft *Vision for Australia Together*

In May 2021, ACFP launched the starting draft of Australia's first national community futures plan,

Australia Together.

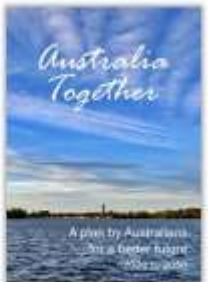
The starting draft was based on a draft Vision built by assembling the expressed views of Australians about what they want for the future – views shared freely by them whenever they were asked in surveys, community forums and other research over the decade to 2020.

ACFP is currently seeking feedback on the draft Vision, although as yet there has been very little response.

It's important that we get the Vision right.

ACFP's research has indicated that when it comes to their future, concern is growing among Australians about climate change and about our loss of biodiversity. This has become more obvious since the bushfires of 2019 and 2020. **The first draft of the Vision for *Australia Together* already contained a line on aims for global cooperation that is so essential to solving climate change. But we think the Vision requires an update to reflect the value Australians are now placing on ecological renewal and care for biodiversity and habitat.** So we have taken the liberty of adding another line:

New



The Vision for Australia Together

By 2050,
we and our children and grandchildren will be living a fulfilling life in an Australia where:

- We are safe
- We are reconciled with and celebrate our First Nations peoples and their cultures
- Everyone is welcome to participate positively in community life
- We are inspired and able to renew our physical and spiritual wellbeing
- We act together as a compassionate society
- Equality is valued as enriching human community, cultural harmony and social progress
- Diversity is positively appreciated as a basis for a successful society
- Everyone can realise their full potential in life, as individuals, members of a family and citizens through unlimited opportunities in education and employment of choice
- Vital services are fully accessible
- Scarce resources are conserved and fairly shared
- National wealth is fairly shared
- Our economy is sustainable and supports rewarding opportunities and continuous improvements in living standards for everyone
- As a nation we have the courage to take a leading place in achieving the environmental aims of a global society
- Stewardship of ecology is affirmed as fundamental to planetary and human survival**
- Strong democracy is assured by a well informed and engaged community
- We are confident our leaders will reflect thoughtfully on our views and best interests when making decisions for our future
- We take pride in Australia as a responsible international citizen, active in building a safer, more peaceful and united world

These are the aspirations of our hopeful generation. We commit to this Vision for *Australia Together* so that we can pass the gifts we have inherited to our children, and they to theirs.

[Read the Vision in full.](#)

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Please help ACFP get the Vision right by commenting through surveys that are open on our website now.



Australia Together includes an inspiring Vision for a better life for everyone and a practical means of making that Vision a reality.

Click here to take the surveys on the Vision and Directions for *Australia Together*

For surveys on the Vision and Directions of *Australia Together* visit www.austcfp.com.au/survey-forms

What's new in Targets and Strategies for *Australia Together*?

ACFP has now launched [Issue No. 3](#) of *Australia Together*. It contains another 17 Targets and Strategies to help make the Vision a reality by 2050 or sooner, bringing the total to over 220. The new Targets and Strategies include:

- A Strategy of **Constitutional reforms to protect refugees** – [Gov11.03](#);
- Targets and Strategies **to meet our commitments under the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals** (UNSDGs) by:
 - developing an integrated program of projects to meet the UNSDGs by the adopted deadline of 2030 – [Econ01.01](#);
 - funding those commitments (currently they are not funded in the federal budget) – [Econ01.09](#); and
 - providing for citizens' oversight of progress through the creation of a UNSDG Citizens' Assembly – [Econ01.09.01](#).
- Ambitious Targets and Strategies **to prevent global heating including** for:
 - reform of Australia's negotiating stance and conduct in Paris Agreement negotiations by commitment to emitting no more than a fair share of a global carbon budget (this includes a draft resolution to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change COP26 coming up in Glasgow) – [Env01.01](#);
 - reintroduction of a price on carbon – [Econ01.08](#);
 - ethical regulation of carbon credits markets – [Econ05.02](#);
 - ethical certification and regulatory enforcement of plans by businesses for achievement of net zero carbon emissions by 2033 – [Econ05.03](#);
 - reintroduction of a Renewable Energy Target (RET) – [Env06.03](#);
 - uptake of renewable energy in vehicles, road transport systems and fleets, manufacturing and agriculture, industry and construction, and air and sea transport – [Env06.01.01](#) through to [Env06.01.05](#);
 - establishment of a National Climate Change Prevention, Mitigation and Adaptation Commission – [Env03.01](#);
 - attainment of a minimum score of 90/100 on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals International Spillover Index – [Gov11.02](#); and
 - reinstatement of Australia's contribution to the Green Climate Fund consistent with our commitments under the Paris Agreement – [Gov13.02](#).

New Targets and Strategies in Issue No. 3 of *Australia Together* are largely about becoming a decent global citizen, honouring our commitments to sustainability, and taking a leading stance in the world to stop global heating.

Click [here](#) to browse Issue No. 3 of the starting draft of



Stay tuned for more in coming issues of *Australia Together*

ACFP media articles

ACFP's Founder Bronwyn Kelly is publishing articles in the progressive independent news outlet, [Pearls and Irritations](#). Click [here](#) or on the picture to read the latest.



A new media article on National IP&R

PEARLS AND IRRITATIONS

John Menadue's Public Policy Journal

Militarism or a civil revival: which will we choose?

By Bronwyn Kelly
Jul 20, 2021

View ACFP Founder Dr Bronwyn Kelly's media article on how we can build a civil revival using National Integrated Planning & Reporting.



Bronwyn Kelly