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**11. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**11.1. NOTICE OF MOTION 2019/009 – CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

**Moved Councillor Machin**

**1. That Mount Alexander Shire Council acknowledges that:**

- a. Urgent and continuing action is needed to address the current and future impacts of climate change on the health, economy and wellbeing of the people of the Mount Alexander Shire and to its environment.**
- b. All parts of our community, including Council, will need to act over many years to reduce emissions, to adapt to our changing environment and to managing the predicted increasing number and intensity of emergencies.**
- c. There is significant expertise and good will within our communities that has been offered to Council, as identified in the open council briefing held on 9 December 2019.**

**2. That Mount Alexander Shire Council will act on the urgency by:**

- d. Declaring a climate emergency.**
- e. Approving and implementing a roadmap that will lead to zero net emissions for Council operations by 2025, ensuring that all actions are informed by cost-benefit analyses to ensure that Council invests in actions with the best returns while maintaining its services and a sustainable long term budget.**
- f. Integrating a climate change lens into Council's design and construction of infrastructure, the planning and implementation of services and the development of policies and strategies.**
- g. Identifying the best ways to engage with the expertise and enthusiasm of our communities.**
- h. Working with our communities to help reduce our community's greenhouse gas emissions and increase our ability to adapt to climate change, including in the development of Council's next climate change strategy.**