



OPEN COMMUNITY FORUM INVITATION

NGSC Low Income Energy Efficiency Program (LIEEP)

'Innovation and Opportunities in Energy Efficiency for Disadvantaged Members of Our Community'

St Arnaud Town Hall, Napier Street St Arnaud

Tuesday February 23rd 2016

9.30am to 12.30pm – followed by lunch

Helping Households Reduce Energy Bills

Are you on a pension or low income, or just worried about the cost of energy and the impact on the environment?

Would you like to be more comfortable in your home whilst saving energy and money?

This forum will be talking about ways to do exactly that!

Hear about key outcomes and findings from Northern Grampians Shire's LIEEP project.

Find out about other initiatives the Shire and other organisations are pursuing to help you manage your energy use, understand your bills and tariffs, install low-cost solar panels or manage heat wave stress?

Share your experiences, and tell us what messages you think we should be taking back to Government to inform future policies and programs.

There is NO COST to participate

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Please see back for the programme and further details.

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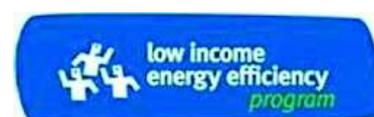
9.30am	Arrive and Morning Tea
10.00am	Welcome
10.05am	Presentation from Northern Grampians Shire on the key achievements and findings from the LIEEP project and how we can help in the future with advice and information on energy efficiency, thermal comfort and billing/tariff queries
10.20am	Presentation from Northern Grampians Shire HACC Services on supporting community health, well-being and resilience
10.30am	Presentation on programs and initiatives from Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance – Solar Panels and Heat Wave management
10.45am	Presentation on programs and initiatives from Grampians Pyrenees Primary Care Partnership – community support contacts and networks
11.00am	Presentation on programs and initiatives from Sustainability Victoria – practical advice and information on energy and resource efficiency
11.15am	Open, Interactive session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hear about the experiences of participating households - have your say on the issues and opportunities for change, and what you would like the government to consider.
12.20am	Summary and Close
12.30pm	Lunch and Conversation

Bus will leave Stawell Town Hall at 8.30am and travel to St Arnaud via Navarre

Background on Northern Grampians Project

Northern Grampians Shire Council's Low Income Energy Efficiency Program project began in 2014 and is now nearing completion. The project partnered with the Shire's Home and Community Care division, and other community welfare organisations providing home care services to offer free, no obligation home energy assessments to households. These assessments and follow-up advice over the life of the project allowed households and project staff to identify where potential energy savings might be made. The project also offered no-cost incentives for eligible households to implement agreed changes to lower energy usage and improve thermal comfort of the homes

Feedback over the last two years has overwhelmingly demonstrated the success of the project in assisting participating households to reduce energy consumption and costs, as well as to promote health and well-being through improved comfort levels and lifestyle.



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