

The earth is rapidly warming as a result of increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. This climate crisis will directly impact our health in an immediate and acute way, as well as indirectly.

### **Indirect impacts**

Worsening of air quality, changes in the spread of infectious diseases, risks to food safety, food security and drinking water quality, and negative impacts on mental health.

### **Immediate effects**

Increasingly extreme temperatures which disproportionately impacts the health of vulnerable people in our communities.

## ALL THE NUMBERS

Visit Yarra's Health and Wellbeing Profile 2020 at yarracityvic.govau/publichealth

# TEMPERATURE INCREASE

Victoria's climate has become hotter and drier and trends are expected to continue



## JTURE (2050)

increase in daily temperatures over

By the 2050s, Melbourne is expected to experience a significant increase in the number of days over 35°C.



3+ DAYS in a row over **EMERGENCY** 

In a heatwave emergency, Yarra activates our Heatwave Plan.



Yarra's Heat vulnerability index

TREE CANOPY

Trees and other greenery help moderate the local climate by shading our streets, parks and buildings.

# OUR CLIMATE A



Yarra Council was one of the first jurisdictions in the world to declare a climate emergency



Yarra Council operations are 100% powered by renewable electricity

## % ELECTRICITY

Most community carbon emissions in Yarra come from electricity\*

15% transport.

14% natural gas\*

2% waste (including waste water)

\*From residential, commercial and industrial sources



Sources: Greater Melbourne Climate Projections (2019), Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (2018), Yarra Urban Forest Strategy (2017), Yarra City Council, Draft Yarra Climate Emergency Plan 2020-2024.