Housing Summit 2018

Healthy and comfortable homes for all Australians

5 September

Justice and Police Museum, Sydney









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| TIME | SESSION | SPEAKERS |
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| 9.30 – 10.00 AM | Registrations Open | |
| 10.00 – 10.10 AM | Welcome to Country | Uncle Ray Davison, Gadigal people of the Eora Nation |
| 10.10 – 10.40 AM | Opening of the Housing Summit & Consumer CEO Panel | Rosemary Sinclair, Energy Consumers Australia Cassandra Goldie (ACOSS); Donna Luckman |
| | Delivery of the communique | (Renew); Alison Rowe (MEFL) |
| 10.40 – 11.00 AM | Morning Tea | |
| 11.00 – 11.50 AM | What's the problem with the status quo: what does the evidence tell us about how housing and energy intersect? Outlining the consumer detriment arising from poor housing | Chair: Alison Rowe, Moreland Energy Foundation Marianne Lourey (ACIL Allen); Anthony Wright (CSIRO); Denise Boyd (Consumer Action Law Centre) |
| 11.50 – 12.40 PM | Building houses in a changing future How do we ensure no-one is left behind? | Chair: Lynne Gallagher, Energy Consumers Australia Donna Luckman (Renew); Kellie Caught (ACOSS); Luke Reade (QCOSS); Rob Murray-Leach (Energy Efficiency Council) |
| 12.40 – 1.30 PM | | Lunch |
| 1.30 – 2.30 PM | Securing better consumer outcomes 1: Building better houses Outlining opportunities and issues to ensure all new houses are the right standard | Chair: Mary O'Neill, Department of Planning and Environment Jodie Pipkorn (Dept of Environment and Energy); Alan Pears (RMIT); Rachael McGinley (ASBEC); Scott Langford (St George Community Housing) |
| 2.30 – 3.30 PM | | |
| 2.30 – 3.30 PM | Securing better consumer outcomes 2: How do we improve existing homes? Where are the opportunities, and how do we achieve them? | Chair: Nicholas Aberle, Environment Victoria Joel Dignam (Better Renting); Dr Georgia Warren- Myers (Uni Melb); John McKibbon (Ecologic); Eli Court (ClimateWorks) |
| 2.30 – 3.30 PM 3.30 – 3.40 PM | How do we improve existing homes? Where are the opportunities, and how do we achieve them? | Joel Dignam (Better Renting); Dr Georgia Warren- |
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Too many Australians are living in unhealthy and uncomfortable homes because they can't afford their energy bills, or their house is poorly built. The Housing Summit 2018 will bring together people from across Australia to call for improved energy efficiency standards in housing.

Many Australians are unable to afford the energy they need to heat or cool their homes to stay comfortable and healthy. This is because energy costs have risen for the past decade, significantly faster than our wages and incomes.

We now understand that our ability to control and manage energy costs is limited by the energy efficiency of our homes, and the appliances we use.

We also know that without sufficient energy to live comfortably, our health and wellbeing is at risk.

Currently there are federal and state government processes underway that will shape the energy efficiency standards of our homes for the coming decades.

Energy Consumers Australia, in partnership with consumer organisations, is convening the Housing Summit 2018 to take advantage of a unique opportunity to raise the energy efficiency of our homes, as an essential step in achieving healthy and comfortable homes for all Australians.

The Housing Summit 2018 will:

- issue a call to action for government and industry to ensure Australians have access to healthy and comfortable homes
- · present the evidence for improving energy efficiency standards
- · identify opportunities and solutions for change

Participation in this event is free as we want to bring together a wide range of stakeholders to achieve our common vision – but places are limited.

Date: 10am – 4:30pm 5 September 2018 (registration opens at 9.30am)

Venue: NSW Justice and Police Museum, Crnr Phillip & Albert Streets, Sydney NSW

How to register: Please register through our Eventbrite page <u>https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/housing-summit-</u>2018-tickets-48317356514

The Housing Summit agenda was developed by a Steering Committee comprising Energy Consumers Australia, Alternative Technology Association, Australian Council of Social Service, Qld Council of Social Service and Consumer Policy Research Centre. The Committee was also assisted by an expert panel, including the ASBEC, Energy Efficiency Council, ClimateWorks, CSIRO, ARENA, and the Commonwealth Department of the Environment and Energy.

The Housing Summit 2018 is organised through Energy Consumers Australia's **Power Shift** program, which aims to work with industry and government to deliver products, policies and programs that enable consumers to manage their energy effectively. Power Shift is funded through a Commonwealth grant. For more information about Power Shift or about the Housing Summit 2018, please contact <u>kerry.connors@energyconsumersaustralia.com.au</u>.

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