



RE: Budget submission for \$3m to replace failing roof and future proof opportunity to save 90+ tonnes of CO2 p/annum through solar on an iconic community building

Lord Somers Camp and Power House (LSC&PH) has been working to create a stronger, more inclusive society through service to others for over **90** years.

Our facilities are widely popular and directly benefit well over **100,000** people annually through social, civic and economic participation in community development programs, sports, arts and hospitality.

The community asset self-funds its community programs and supports almost **2,000** volunteers to deliver **\$50m** in-kind social and economic value annually through health and wellbeing programs. The current infrastructure supporting this work is in serious decline, does not meet community expectations and is not fit for purpose to deliver impactful community programs.

The 1960's decaying building itself discriminates against many members of the community. It is inaccessible even at ground level and has inappropriate changeroom facilities for school and community groups.

Action to redevelop and resolve the facilities inadequacies are well underway and the opportunity to accelerate and prepare future environmental benefits through solar is on the table.

The collaborative funding arrangements already collected and nurtured by LSC&PH positions us to act quickly subject State Government commitment to at least match that of the Commonwealths, although to accelerate urgent action that is required, we seek the Commonwealth to strongly consider this budget submission.

The asbestos roof needs urgent attention as it's unsafe, leaks and well past its life span. A **\$3m** commitment will allow us to replace the roof whilst also engineering it to maximise future solar. This plan allows the building to not only be financially sustainable for decades, but also provide future environmental sustainability and save and estimate **90tonnes** CO2 p/annum.

To assist in this consideration, we have put together the following resources:

1. Business Plan
2. Report from RACV solar listing the CO2 savings
3. Report from WSP confirming engineering

For any questions or conversations, please do not hesitate to make contact.

Sincere thanks for taking the time to review,

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