

# Imagine a sustainable society

Imagine living in a sustainable society. What would that look like and what would it take to get us there? Over two days, we're bringing together some of the best thinkers and doers on sustainability. From dealing with climate change to engineering our way into a sustainable future, this is about more than just imagining a better world for us; it's about creating a more sustainable future.

When: 8 and 9 July

Location: Online and in Dunedin

Online platform: Zoom / Facebook Live

## Overview:

### Thursday 8 July

2–4pm:

Keynote panel with questions from schools: Imagining a sustainable society

Evening: NZISF opening

### Friday 9 July

9am–12:15pm:

Panel/presentation sessions: What is sustainability?

1:15–4pm:

Practical sessions: Acting sustainably

For more information

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## Thursday 8 July

- 2–2:15pm:** **Māori welcome**
- 2:15–2:25pm:** **Opening**  
Dunedin Mayor Aaron Hawkins
- 2:25–2:30pm:** **Welcome**  
Associate Professor Jesse Bering, Director of the Centre for Science Communication
- 2:30–3pm:** **Keynote address:**  
Sustainability, climate and future voices  
Rod Carr, Chair of the Climate Change Commission
- 3–4pm:** **Discussion and questions to the panel**
- Rod Carr, Chair of the Climate Change Commission
  - Ciara Foley, climate activist
- 4–5pm:** **Snacks and mingling**

## Friday 9 July

We will hear from local changemakers paving the way to a greener future, and empowering meaningful action. Two morning sessions on the themes of food, and urban futures, will bring together professional practitioners and academic experts discussing everything from food production to food waste, healthy soils to healthy people, housing to transport, and the fashion industry.

Lightening talks will be followed by an open forum for questions, with morning tea provided by Precinct Food in keeping with our sustainability ethos. In the afternoon we will transform the space into a marketplace-style setup celebrating local sustainability initiatives through workshops, demonstrations and a whole range of fun hands-on activities.

- 9–9:15am:** **Welcome and introduction**  
Dr Cathy Cole, Centre for Science Communication
- 9:15–10:30am:** **Session 1: Food**
- 9:15–9:20am:** · Our Food Network – *Andy Barratt*
- 9:20–9:25am:** · Growing abundant, quality food in a city garden – *Rory Harding, George Street Orchard*
- 9:25–9:30am:** · Food choices for planetary and human health – *Sara Styles, Department of Human Nutrition, University of Otago*
- 9:30–9:35am:** · Fungi as food and far more – *Bart Acres, Mycologic*
- 9:35–9:40am:** · Food waste innovation – *Miranda Miroso, Department of Food Science, University of Otago*
- 9:45–9:50am:** · Recycling food waste through composting methods – *Finn Boyle, Pōpopo – Otago Polytechnic's campus compost facility*
- 9:50–10:30am:** **Q&A session**
- 10:30–11am:** **Morning tea**
- 11–12:15pm:** **Session 2: Urban futures**
- 11–11:05am:** · Equity in healthy and sustainable urban planning – *Alex Macmillan, Department of Preventive and Social Medicine, University of Otago*
- 11:05–11:10am:** · Sustainable architecture – *Tobias Danielmeier, Otago Polytechnic*
- 11:10–11:15am:** · High Street Co-housing Project – *Maria Callau, Sur Architecture*
- 11:15–11:20am:** · (In)active transport – *Nathan Parker, Valley Community Space*

- 11:20–11:25am:** · Re-imagining textile waste – *Fiona Jenkin, Stitch Kitchen*
- 11:25–11:30am:** · What does the future of urban waste for Dunedin look like? – *Fiona Clements, Res.Awesome Ltd*
- 11:30–11:35am:** · Community action towards zero-waste – *Judy Martin, OneCoast*
- 11:35–12:15pm:** **Q&A session**
- 12:15–1:15pm:** **Break**
- 1:15–4pm:** **Sustainability marketplace: Workshops and demonstrations featuring:**
- DCC Zero Carbon 2030
  - DCC & ORC: South Dunedin Future Project
  - Food Waste Innovation
  - Fabulously Frugal
  - Sew On – making reusable cloth pads
  - Stitch Kitchen 4KT Elephants Project
  - Community Valley Workspace
  - Fungi as food, medicine, biomaterials, and in soil regeneration
  - Composting
  - George Street Orchard: Urban food production
  - CoGo: Track your carbon footprint
  - Enviroschools
  - Clothes and book swap!
- 2:30–3pm:** **Afternoon tea**