

Active Democracy Bean

Who are we?

- We live in the area and our group is not associated with any political party.
- We respect all political players and focus on the issues not the person or party
- We welcome new ideas, members and talents

What are our aims?

- Increase community engagement in the democratic process in the Federal election of Bean
- Establish an ongoing relationship and mutual accountability with our elected representatives
- Improve the responsiveness of our elected representatives to our voices

How do we work?

- We create a safe space for the community to air different views
- Passion, fun and community are at the heart of what we do
- We collaborate with others on issues to increase our impact

What is important to us?

- Accepting diverse views
- Focusing on the well-being and good of all
- Being welcoming and respectful

What do we do?

- Develop two-way channels of communication between us and our elected representatives (e.g., meetings on topics of importance; consultations via the Kitchen Table Conversation method on government policy; surveys; other forms yet to be developed!)
- Improve our understanding of existing channels of communication with our elected federal representatives and of how the political system works.

Come and join us! activedemocracybean@canberra-alliance.org.au

Active Democracy Bean is supported by registered charity the Canberra Alliance for Participatory Democracy (CAPaD). It aims to build a social movement to engage and connect citizens who care about the public good and the political system to contribute to a more democratic Australia.