

Voices for Tasmania gets underway

Active democracy is sprouting all over Tasmania. Voices for Tasmania Inc has begun networking across the state, building the Community Independents movement from the grass roots. It has a core group with members from four of Tasmania's five seats and is inviting Tasmanians to get active for better representation at state and federal levels of government.

Unlike other Australian states, Tasmania has the same electorates for lower house seats in both State and Federal parliaments, with five State MPs and one Federal MP elected in each. This makes it easier for Voices participants in these seats to work for change at both levels of government.

Voices for Tasmania is inviting voters in each electorate to "Have Your Say" on the changes you think are most needed in their Tasmanian electorate. The group is also seeking people to get involved in a range of activities, from writing and graphics to spreading the word via social media, from running kitchen table conversations to fundraising and event support.

Voices for Tasmania has run a "Politics in the Pub" event and provided an active peer support network via Zoom with a dozen independent local government candidates, six of whom were elected. Their mailing list so far is 140 people and growing.

Climate 200 are supportive, and there have been positive discussions with Andrew Wilkie, the Independent MP for Clark.

Voices for Tasmania has set its sights on building up numbers of participants in each seat in 2023, and then supporting Community Independent candidate selection processes 2024 in the lead up to the 2025 Federal and State elections.

So whether you're focused on particular policy changes or you'd like to see better governance generally, why not get active and help to make it happen through Voices for Tasmania?

You can fill out the form on the 'Get Involved' page of their [website](#), or drop them a line. Positive change requires people like you to get involved.