

Minority Reports

A note on minority reports:

- *Written by at least 3 people*
- *Two or less want to say something = separate submission to Coliban Water*
- *Not to exceed one page in length – follows the format in our report*

Minority Report 1:

(3 people)

Heading	<i>What is the change we support (in a few words)?</i> 100% customer funding is unconscionable. Water is our constitutional right and should not be owned by or allocated to foreign interests.
Description	<i>Tell us more about your advice to Coliban Water about this recommendation from the community perspective (in 1-2 sentences).</i> It is not right that coliban water is bound to fund infrastructure to store and collect adequate water and offset the tax burden entirely through the customers. That the constitution is honoured at a state and federal level so that water is freely available to all. Tax payer dollars contribute to federal state and local government, wildlife education and health etc. it must also cover the most essential element required to sustain life. Water.
Recommendation this relates to (if applicable)	<i>List the recommendation number or name this relates to - if applicable.</i> We request that coliban water negotiate with state federal bodies to ensure subsidised/affordable water supply to be accessible by all people. Water is the number one element required for life, health and food security.

Minority Report 2:

(4 people)

Heading	<i>What is the change we support (in a few words)?</i> Investigate an opt-in program similar to Green Energy for Coliban customers.
Description	<i>Tell us more about your advice to Coliban Water about this recommendation from the community perspective (in 1-2 sentences).</i> There has been a lot of enthusiasm by panel members for opt-in options to support community services, however the recommendations relating to these ideas were not passed due to questions about their complexity, effectiveness, and cost. Simplifying these ideas into an opt-in option that allows customers to choose Green Energy (or similar) is an effective and positive solution to the problems the community panel discussed, and was supported by the majority of panel members. This would be in addition to Support Programs already in place. Good education and promotion of how the funds raised will be used, and transparent accountability for the program, will be important.
Recommendation this relates to (if applicable)	<i>List the recommendation number or name this relates to - if applicable.</i> Recommendation 13

Minority Report 3:

(3 people)

Heading	<p><i>What is the change we support (in a few words)?</i></p> <p>Move from a panel process to a jury process which is more fit for purpose</p>
Description	<p><i>Tell us more about your advice to Coliban Water about this recommendation from the community perspective (in 1-2 sentences).</i></p> <p>Unfortunately the panel format did not capture all viewpoints and 90%+ of the time was spent on things outside of the scope. We feel this was a real waste of an opportunity to get a real sense of how an educated community would feel about the pricing options.</p>
Recommendation this relates to (if applicable)	<p><i>List the recommendation number or name this relates to - if applicable.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The approach should focus on helping people understand the issues from all sides.- More engagement with coliban along the way to check in and to make sure we are on the right track- 3-4 scenarios that could be debated and deliberated on then we could keep the conversation focused around these scenarios.- Much more time spent on explaining the mandate and scope.- Provide time for deliberation- Provide pre-reading at least a week or 2 beforehand, not 3 days before. Provide more than 15 minutes for minority reports.- Improve accessibility to people with lower levels of digital accessibility- An adversarial approach, similar to the jury process, would help people understand the impacts of the recommendations. For example, presenting the impact of an option A on people with vulnerabilities from the impacted persons perspective.- Provide time for deliberation.