2019 achievement summary for AGM

Genuine Citizen participation - *how to get citizen voice (citizen generated wisdom) into the ACT Assembly*

- Explored different models of citizen deliberation in Canberra and elsewhere and what it takes for these processes to be legitimate. Used Deliberate ACT to extend learning to a wider audience
- Encouraged the ACT Government to approach the Review of the Territory Plan in a way that built trust – unfortunately our advice was not taken and we learnt that it is difficult for government to shift from "power over"
- Used our reflections on the four Deliberative Processes in 2018 to deepen our understanding of citizen deliberation – shared in newsletter.
- Gave presentations on the wellbeing indicators and also a public forum on the OstBelgian model for permanent citizen deliberation – and in the process built collaborative working relations with academics at University of Canberra (IGPA, NATSEM) and ANU.

MLA Relationships Roles and Responsibility – *what is the job of representing and how do we want MLAs to do it?*

- Generated conversations and collected people's opinions about MLA roles at Southfest 2018
- Delved deeply into the question "how do MLAs go about the job of representing" (MLA Interviews – as a basis for a Statement of Expectations for MLAs)
- 2019 Federal Election Candidate Statement
- Revising the Candidate Statement for 2020 ACT Election
- Exploring the idea of the Active Citizen

Connected Communities: democracy begins in your street

- Explored how, i*n a transformed democracy citizens working in community can set the agenda and monitor progress*
- Worked with local groups to explore how Community Development approaches can build system and policy literacy – to support active citizenship
- Working with community associations – how does better democracy help your issue?

Resources and Library – *good things to watch and read*

Collecting and organising what we know about good governance and making change