

**Submission to the Inquiry into the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals**

The benchmark of a  
fairer world...our Global Goals  
we promised we would.

If they were easy  
we'd have done them already  
just twelve years to go.

The SDGs should  
galvanise, inspire, challenge  
they should stretch our minds.

If we fail to plan  
we plan to fail and this will  
cost our best future.

Australia should  
lead the way – if we don't why  
would our neighbours try?

UN Global Goals  
they can't be an afterthought  
few know they exist.

Seventeen goals and  
one hundred and sixty nine  
targets underneath.

What if every child  
what if every adult knew  
our plan to exceed them all?

Will we orient  
our policies to meet our  
goals, or vice versa?

We have time to do  
it right... don't squander this true  
opportunity.