

Community Engagement Committee

December 2020 Agenda/Minutes

➤ **Date, Location and Time:**

- 4th December 2020, Wallinduc CFA Hall & Video Link at 10am

➤ **Attendees:**

- Mayor Helena Kirby - Golden Plains Shire Council
- Helena Charles - Golden Plains Shire Council
- Garry Moorfield - Corangamite Shire Council
- Nicholas Cole – Corangamite Shire Council
- Nathan Micallef - GPG
- Sandy Halloran – GPG
- Janene Trickey - DELWP
- Peter and Brenda Rumler - Community Members
- Brendan Keating - Community Member
- Moira Turner - Community Member

➤ **Apologies:**

- Shari McConachy - Community Member
- Anton Viljoen - Vestas
- Nathan Lin - TransGrid

➤ **Declaration of pecuniary or other interests:**

- N/A

➤ **Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting:**

- Moved: Garry Moorfield
- Seconded: Sandy Halloran
- All in favour: Yes

➤ **Business arising from previous minutes - response to issues raised or provision of additional information requested:**

- Discussion needs to be had on the development and implementation of the Grants Program
 - Moved to General Business

➤ **Correspondence:**

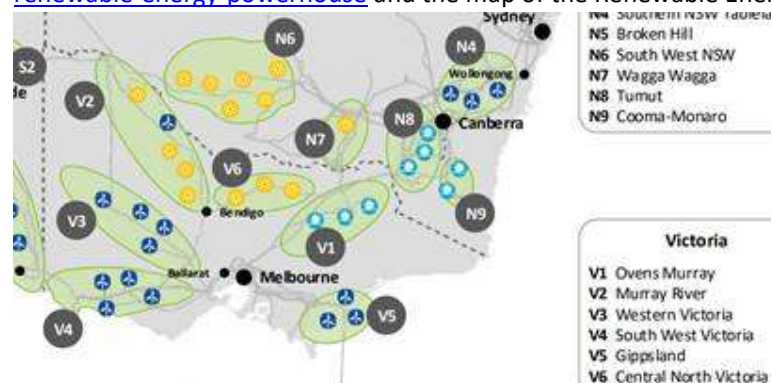
- In: Notice from Lesley Brown that she will no longer be sitting on the CEC. Shannon Fielder is no longer working for Golden Plains Shire. Invitation from Corangamite Shire to attend the Opening Ceremony of the Lismore Water Tower Art Display

- Out: Invitation to Nicholas Cole (New Councillor for Corangamite) to join CEC as a replacement for Lesley Brown. Invitation to Mayor Helena Kirby from Golden Plains to join the CEC as a replacement for Owen Sharkey
- **Project Update – Vestas:**
 - Hamilton Highway/Berrybank-Wallinduc Rd intersection upgrade will start on Monday 7th December and should last a week. There may be some delays as traffic through this area will be under traffic control
 - Community raised concerns about the lack of consultation from contractor to community about the timing and process of these works, this is going to cause impact on the local farmers due to it being harvest time and access is need to GrainCorp on the south side of the Hamilton Hwy
- **Project Update – TransGrid:**
 - Substation and Transmission line energised and ready to receive generation from wind turbines
 - 1 out of 2 Telstra cable relocation completed along Padgetts Lane
 - Early Works for BB2 Transmission Line starting Monday 7th December. There may be some delays and closures throughout this period
- **Community Update - GPG:**
 - **Berrybank Stage-2 Wind Farm**
 - As a requirement under the Community Benefits Plan for Berrybank Stage-2 Wind Farm, is the establishment of a standalone CEC for this project, we have called for applications from community members to join the CEC, we would like to extend this invitation to the council and community members that are currently on the BB1 CEC. We have already had interest from numerous community members wanting to join the committee and we would like to see if the BB1 community members that would like to stay on for the BB2 CEC help with shaping the look of the committee
 - Berrybank Stage-2 Wind Farm consists of:
 - 26 Vestas V136-4.2MW Wind Turbines
 - Expansion of On-site and Off-site Substations
 - Additional Stringing of Transmission Line onto BB1 TxL Poles
 - Additional Road upgrades to Doyles Road, Berrybank
 - Total Berrybank Wind Farm Numbers:
 - 69 Vestas V136-4.2MW Wind Turbines
 - 33 Turbines within Golden Plains Shire
 - 36 Turbines within Corangamite Shire
 - Produce 290MW of Electricity into the Victorian Grid
 - **Solar Panel Program**
 - Awaiting Engineering Reports from Golden Plains Shire Council
 - Contracts have been signed between Corangamite, GPG and OEA
 - Contracts have been signed between 4 Residents, GPG and OEA
 - First Batch of systems have been ordered
 - First install due to begin before Christmas
- **Council Update – Golden Plains and Corangamite Shire Councils:**
 - Golden Plains
 - **Teesdale Turtle Bend Project:** Appointed contractor to complete the new pedestrian bridge, all other works are complete except for the car park which will be completed at the end of the project

- **Three Trails Project:** Project is progressing well, Audits have been completed along the trail, narrowing down, and ordering trail counters.
 - **Golden Plains Economic Development, Tourism & Investment Strategy:** Delayed due to Covid
 - **Streetscape Improvement Projects:** Due to commence in 2021, first steps will be to determine the towns where improvements are required
 - Corangamite
 - **Darlington Mechanics Institute Hall Re-roofing:** In progress due for completion February 2021
 - **Terang Lake Project:** In progress due for completion June 2021
 - **Lismore Creek Project:** All complete
 - **Skipton Recreation Reserve Change Rooms:** In planning stage, Looking for additional funding, due for completion in March 2022
 - **Corangamite Energy Efficiency Program – Phase 1:** All complete
 - **Corangamite Energy Efficiency Program – Phase 2:** In Progress due for completion in June 2021
 - **Northern Towns Tourism Project:** All Complete
 - **Bradvale Hall/Glenormiston South Hall Upgrades:** Nearing Completion
 - **Camperdown Botanic Gardens Project:** All Complete
 - **Camperdown Theatre Redevelopment:** All Complete
 - **Lismore Swimming Pool Wet Deck:** Nearing Completion due to open December 2020
 - **Skipton Public Art Installation:** Not yet started
 - **Derrinallum Recreation Reserve Change Rooms:** Scheduled for 2021
 - **Lismore Public Art Installation:** Water tower at Lismore Golf Club complete opening on Wednesday 9th December 2020, all are invited.

➤ **DELWP Update:**

- Victorian government has established six Renewable Energy Zones, which will be the energy hubs of the future – supporting businesses, jobs, and towns across regional Victoria. Link to the full press release can be found at: <https://www.premier.vic.gov.au/making-victoria-renewable-energy-powerhouse> and the map of the Renewable Energy Zones is below:



➤ **Issues and comments identified by the community or local government representatives:**

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- **General business:**
 - Some community members are seeking clarification on why they are on the CEC, as there seems to be no decision-making capability for the members in relation to the Community Benefits Plan including the Grants Program

- GPG and the councils are still working on the framework for the Grants programs and will be able to report more back to the committee at the next meeting
 - Community members raised concerns about the lack of communication and funding support to the town of Cressy, this town sits the same distance away from Berrybank as Lismore but is left out of the discussion in relation to funding etc. The town is looking for funding to paint the water tower and the bowling club is to be looking for funding for a new bowling surface (sits in Colac Shire). The community would like to know if the councils would consider providing funding under the grants program for the township of Cressy as it has area that sits in both shires and Colac shire.
- **Next meeting:**
- February 5th, 2020 Berrybank Hall