

Bodangora Wind Farm

CCC Meeting – Minutes

Date: 13.03.23 **Time:** 18.00 **Location:** Cow and Calf Hotel,
Wellington

Participants – CCC Members		
Name	CCC Member	E-mail
Ian Rogan	Chair	ian.rogan@bigpond.com
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Michael Bullock	Iberdrola	Michael.bullock@iberdrola.com
Christy White	Dubbo regional Council	
Apologies		
Name	Role / Position	E-mail

1.0 Welcome , Apologies, Declarations of Pecuniary or other interests	
	Chair welcomed all committee members and called for any declarations of pecuniary or other interests from CCC members. It was noted that if any CCC members present were a member or office holder of an organisation which was an applicant for Community Benefit Fund funding, to be considered later in the meeting, that should be declared and they would not participate in the scoring/ranking of those applications.
	Apologies -nil

	Chair indicated that the primary purpose of the meeting was to review applications received by Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) for Round 8 of the BWF Community Benefit Fund, and to provide recommendations for funding to DRC.
2.0	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 27/04/22 were noted-no actions arising Minute taker for this meeting-Ian Rogan
3.0	Bodangora Wind Farm (BWF) Operations Update Michael Bullock gave the committee an update on wind farm operations, Including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various community events and projects that the Bodangora Wind Farm has donated to during 2022/23 • Successful environmental audit which was completed during the last 12 months
4.0	Community Benefit Fund Dubbo Regional Council forwarded the 10 applications received for Round 8 of the Community Benefit Fund, to the wind farm manager (Michael Bullock, Iberdrola) on 6 March. Applications were forwarded to CCC members on 7 th March with the following instructions from the CCC chair for assessment prior to this CCC meeting. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please read and score each application in the following way, prior to the meeting. 2. Score each application out of 10 (1 worst; 10 best) for each of the five criteria listed below. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the proposed project deliver social, cultural, economic or environmental benefits to the local communities of the Wellington district • Does the proposed project address an identified community priority • Does the proposal demonstrate that any ongoing or recurrent costs of the project can be met by the community group once grant funding has been expended • Does the applicant organisation demonstrate the capacity to manage funds and deliver the project • Is the proposed project activity based within the Wellington and district community 3. At the meeting we will go through each application in the following way: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I will ask if anyone in the room has a "conflict of interest" with that application (ie are you a member or office holder of the applicant organisation?). If so, you will not participate in scoring for that application - I will ask for any general comments/questions anyone has to make about the application or the applicant organisation - I will go around the room and ask each of you for your total assessment score for the application (out of 50-ie the sum of your score out of 10 for each of the 5 assessment criteria) When we finish doing that for all applications we will look at the overall rankings and discuss if there are any suggested changes to funding amounts that we would suggest; or any other "follow up" details that we would suggest that Council make enquiries to the applicant about.

	<p>The CCC proceeded to an independent assessment of all applications using the criteria and process outlined above. A report would subsequently be prepared by the Chair which summarises the outcomes of the assessment of applications by the CCC, indicating rankings of applications from 1 to 10. This will be submitted to Dubbo Regional Council in coming days as our recommendations for funding from Round 8 of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund.</p> <p>The assessment and ranking of applications proceeded, as outlined above. Details of rankings of project applications will not be included in the minutes for confidentiality reasons.</p> <p>The following issues were raised by CCC members as issues which should be communicated to Dubbo Regional Council for consideration prior to future rounds of the Community Benefit Fund.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That DRC review the VPA, with a view to considering an increase to the limit of funding requests to the CBF to more than \$10,000 • That surplus funds in the CBF not allocated to applicants in Round 8, be rolled over to Round 9 in 2024.
5.0	General Business
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nil
6.0	Next meeting
	Date not set
	Meeting closed at 7.42 pm