

## AGENDA

### Delburn Wind Farm Community & Stakeholder Consultative Committee (CSCC)

#### Overall Description:

The CSCC is responsible for facilitating the accurate and timely flow of information about the project's development to and from the community and assist in obtaining feedback and input to decisions about aspects of the project which may impact on the windfarm's neighbours and wider community.

#### Location

Thorpdale Town Hall, 14 Johnstone St, Thorpdale

Meeting 1 – Monday March 29<sup>th</sup> 6pm to 8pm

#### Purpose of Meeting 1

1. **Content Purpose:** to understand the committee, its members, all our roles and the basics of the project.
2. **Experiential Objectives:** For all members to feel respected, heard, and leave feeling like they understand their roles and responsibilities as a committee member, as well as the roles and responsibilities that others have on the committee.

When	What	Purpose/Activity Detail	Who
5.50ish	<b>Arrival</b>	Arrive, settle in, and have a cuppa	ALL
6.00	<b>Welcome</b>  <b>Aims for tonight</b>	Acknowledge Country & Welcome.  Purpose of tonight Statement of expectations	AB
6.05	<b>Introductions</b>	Who are we? Activity including an online component – please bring your phone.	AB
6.35	<b>Role Clarity &amp; Terms of Reference</b>	<b>Terms of Reference</b> <b>Who, What &amp; How?</b> <b>IAP2 Framework</b> – how will this committee work? <b>Membership, Appointment &amp; Responsibilities</b> What are the roles and responsibilities of committee members, the Chair, and the Delburn Wind Farm? Observers? <b>Code of conduct</b> <b>Functioning of the Committee</b> <b>When and where?</b>	AB + ALL
7.16	<b>Break</b>	Fluid readjustment break	ALL
7.22	The Story so far + Q&A	<u>10 mins</u> presentation by OSMI/Delburn Wind Farm 10 mins of Q&A	ER + AB
7.45	Wrap Up	Next agenda + identifying areas for more info + feedback on meeting	AB
7.55 - 8.00	End		



30/03/2021

## Minutes – Delburn Wind Farm Community and Stakeholder Consultative Committee Meeting 1

6-8pm, 29/03/2021, Thorpdale Town Hall

Attendees:

- Anthony Boxshall (Chair)
- Ruth Harper (Secretariat)
- Chris Milne (Boolarra/Yinnar)
- Graeme Wilson (Delburn)
- Heather Butler (Mirboo North)
- Tony Wolfe (Morwell)
- Catheryn Thompson (SSF)
- Lorraine Bull (GCCN)
- Peter Mooney (GTLC)
- David Quelch (BBSC)
- Rick Rutjens (SGSC)
- Andy Newell (HVP)
- Elizabeth Radcliffe (OSMI)

Apologies: Kylie Di Fiore (GLaWAC), Wendy Farmer (Voices of the Valley), Ivor Auty (Narracan), Rhain Bateman (WGCMA), Mike Timpano (LVA)

The following organisations have been invited to sit on the committee and are still considering their participation: Latrobe City Council, Boolarra Community Development Group, Yinnar and District Community Group, Mirboo Country Development Inc, Landcare

The Strzelecki Community Alliance have been invited to sit on the committee and have declined.

### Minutes

The Chair opened the meeting by acknowledging the traditional owners of the land, the GunaiKurnai and paid his respects to their elders past and present.

### Agenda Item 1 Introductions

The Chair introduced himself and invited all participants to introduce themselves and their affiliation.

The Chair outlined his expectations in relation to interactions within the committee requesting:

- Constructive frankness,
- Respect,
- Confidence and humility, and
- Representative perspective

with the aim of allowing multiple views to be represented with a focus on generating *understanding*, and not acceptance of the project, any specific position, or the views of others involved in the Committee.

It was noted that some members of the committee wear multiple 'hats' and it is important people are clear on which perspective they are offering and acknowledged that this may change from time to time and that the messages they seek to convey may not represent their personal view.



It was also noted that there is limited membership from residents within 2 kms of the project so the committee is not representative of those 'directly impacted'.

It was also noted that some people in the community were intimidated by community feeling/sentiment and may be reluctant to be involved as a result. It was reported that members of the SCA have been advised by their legal representative not to engage with the project.

It was agreed that additional members who live close to the project would be appropriate, and every endeavor should be made to encourage their participation while acknowledging that some groups and individuals may not want to be involved at this point. It was observed that greater engagement may occur after the period for public submissions has closed or if an approval is granted.

The demographic diversity of the committee was also discussed, and it was noted that the younger demographic within the community was not well represented.

A concern was expressed that stakeholders could have a greater weight of opinion than community members given the current makeup of the committee. The Chair indicated it was part of his role to ensure this did not occur.

Local government representatives observed that their role is one of listening and advising Council on what they are hearing at the Committee.

## **Agenda Item 2 Role Clarity, Terms of Reference and functioning of the Committee**

### *Terms of Reference*

The Chair lead a discussion about the draft Terms of Reference making the point that they need to be owned by the committee and feedback on any suggested changes are welcome prior to the next meeting.

Meeting records will be produced by the secretariat - a service provided by OSMI - and will be circulated to committee members within a week of each meeting and posted on the OSMI website.

### *IAP2 Framework*

The Chair introduced the *IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation* (Inform, Consult, Involve, Collaborate, Empower), and examples of each type of involvement that may be appropriate in the context of this project were discussed.

### *Functioning of the Committee*

Committee members are expected to attend the majority of meetings but are able to send alternate up to 25% of the time if required.

Meeting locations will rotate between localities around the project site.

Committee members are invited to nominated agenda items in advance of each meeting via the Chair.

Committee members are not authorised to speak to the media on behalf on the Committee (note this does not preclude committee members speaking to the media on their own behalf). Any media inquiries relating to the Committee are to be referred to the Chair.

Any decisions of the committee should be a consensus-based decision. It was observed that there is no one community voice/consensus, so it could be difficult for representatives to reach a consensus.



The Chair indicated that consensus is only for decisions of the committee – in the main the committee is not a decision-making body, but for those decisions that are made they should be consensus based.

#### *Meeting Format*

A discussion on meeting format concluded that online and face to face meetings are acceptable, and that hybrid meetings may be required as well but should be used as a last resort given the difficulty of equitable contributions from on-line participants.

It was agreed the frequency of meetings will depend upon the planning process. A discussion of the role and purpose of the committee during the planning and public submission process followed. OSMI offered the position that the committee should use this period to help support the community through the planning process.

#### *Code of conduct*

The code of conduct needs to be agreed to by the committee. A copy was provided to all committee members who are asked to consider it between now and the next meeting and offer any amendments for consideration at the next meeting.

The Chair noted that while members will not be required to 'sign' the code of conduct, Committee members are agreeing to it by attending.

#### *Conflicts of Interest*

The Committee needs to manage conflicts of interest. The Chair must be notified of any conflicts of interest, and details will be recorded in *the Conflict of Interest Register*.

### **Agenda item 3 – Presentation from OSMI – the story so far**

Liz Radcliffe provided an overview of the project progress to date and processes going forward with a focus on the planning approval process. Some steps discussed were noted would only proceed if planning approval is granted.

The presentation also highlighted the relationship between OSMI Australia Pty Ltd, Delburn Wind Farm Pty Ltd and Cubico Sustainable Investments and how this means commitments made on behalf of the project are binding when ownership changes to Cubico.

Presentation attached.

#### **Next meeting**

Next meeting to be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 5 – 7pm.

#### **Actions arising:**

- Committee members to review the Terms of Reference and the Code of Conduct and forward any suggested amendments to the chair via [csc@delburnwindfarm.com.au](mailto:csc@delburnwindfarm.com.au). Documents can be found on the OSMI web site <https://osmi.com.au/consultative-committee>) A reminder will be circulated prior to the next meeting.
- All committee members to communicate widely about the CSCC seeking further members particularly from communities local to the planned wind farm, highlighting the desire for a diversity of opinions.



- Committee members to send ideas about topics you would like covered at future Committee meetings to [csc@delburnwindfarm.com.au](mailto:csc@delburnwindfarm.com.au). There is no limit on the number of items a committee member can nominate.
- All committee members to review the Managing Conflict of Interest information online site <https://osmi.com.au/consultative-committee> and advise the Chair of any potential, perceived or actual conflicts of interest that before the next meeting.
- Note the April 26<sup>th</sup> Monday night meeting 5-7pm with an invitation to come.

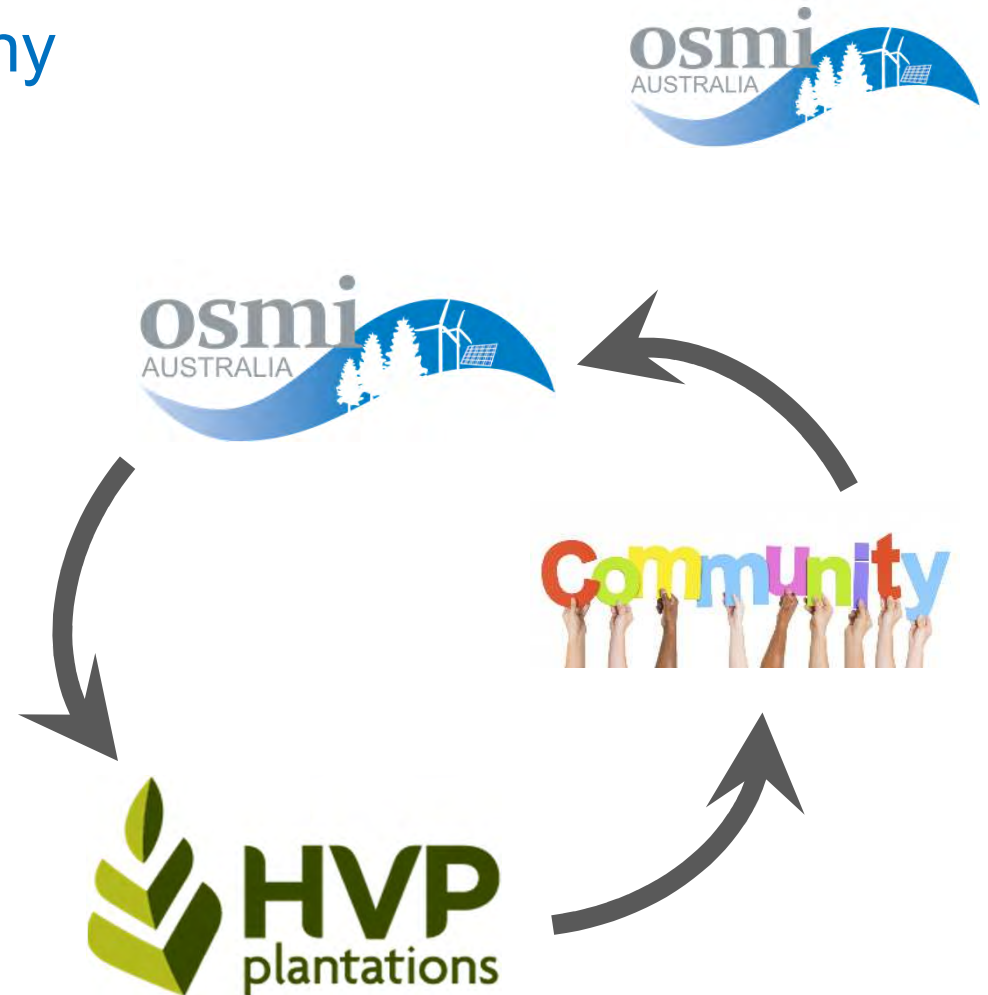


# Delburn Wind Farm Project

Community and Stakeholder Consultative Committee Meeting - March 2021

# OSMI's Development Philosophy

- Local presence within the community
- Shared information, transparency and collaboration with landowners and community
- Phased design approach to adapt project design based on technical inputs and community feedback
- Shared benefits model with project, landowners, near neighbours and wider community



## Development and Ownership Model

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- The Delburn Wind Farm project is being delivered by a joint development arrangement between OSMI Australia and Cubico Sustainable Investments



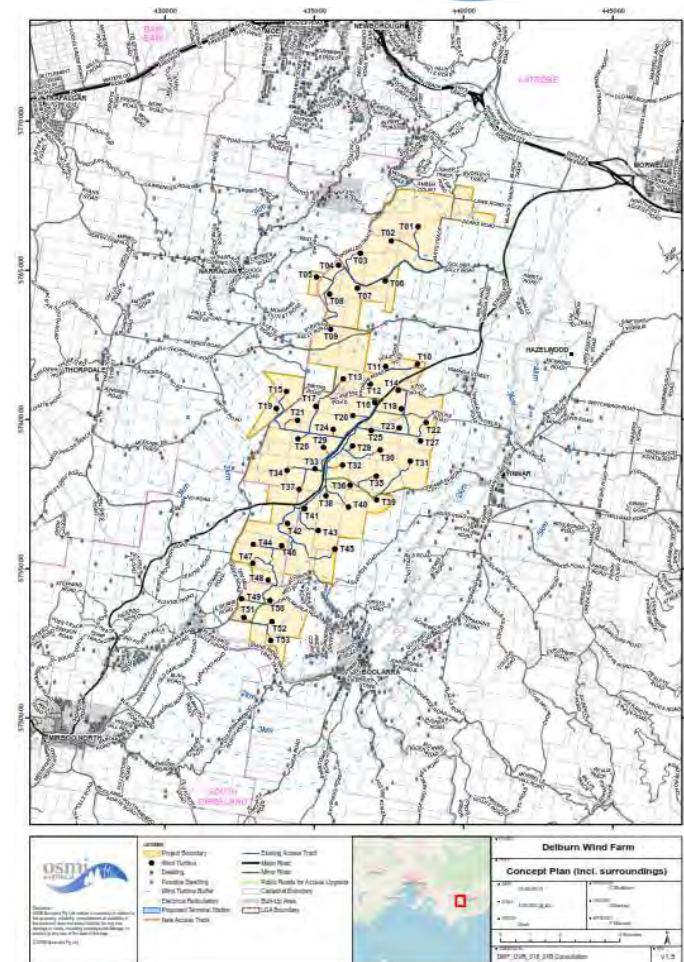
- Cubico hold exclusive rights to acquire the remaining shares at Financial Close and will act as the long-term asset holder and operator



# Initial Concept Design - early 2019



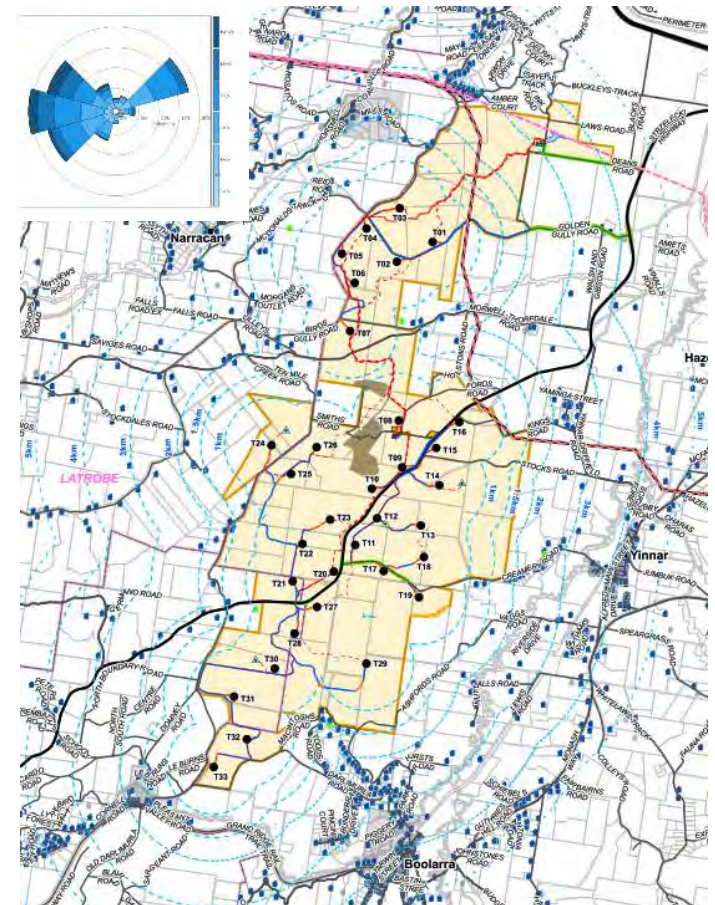
- Concept layout for up to 53 wind turbine locations
- Proposed WTG dimensions up to 250m total tip height (max 180m rotor, ~160m, hub-height)
- Access track design maximised use of existing formed tracks used for forestry works
- Complied with 1km offset requirements
- Early assessment indicated likely compliance with statutory noise limit of 40dB or background + 5dB
- No new overhead powerlines proposed, connection into existing 220 kV powerline in north of project area (near Deans Rd)
- Neighbourhood profit share proposal of \$500,000 p.a.



# Design for planning application - late 2020



- Project scope reduced from 53 to 33 turbines based on:
  - community feedback about visual impact and noise – adopted high amenity noise limits as a design target for life-style properties in the farming zone,
  - reducing impacts on native vegetation and
  - avoiding telecommunications routes.
- Total native vegetation impact reduced to 14Ha
  - includes 54 large old trees, half of which are expected to be retained
  - area of vegetation to be physically removed is approximately 6Ha
- Modelled noise levels comply with statutory limit of 40dB (or background plus 5dB) at all dwellings - most below 35dB (the high amenity limit)
- Statutory set back distances met: No dwellings within 1km of any turbine, 103 dwellings within 2km of a turbine
- Visual impacts from public locations assessed as low; 60+ residential locations assessed. Impact varies from nil to high with mitigation possible in most instances where impact is high.
- Fire risk is not increased by the presence of the wind farm: project increases fire breaks, accessibility and response capability
- Total value of neighbourhood profit share remains at \$500,000 p.a.



# Key Project Statistics

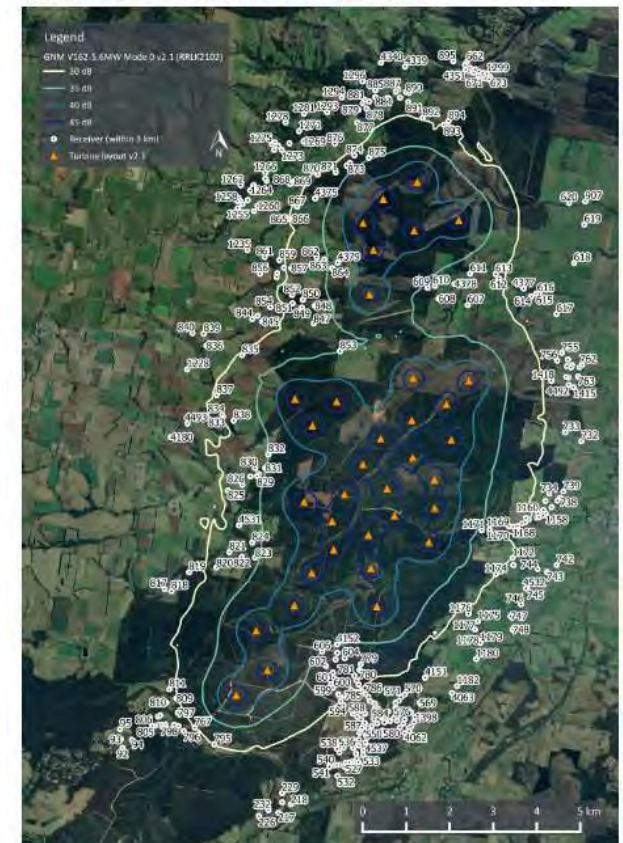


# Assessments and Approval Process

- Impact assessments completed covering
  - Noise
  - Shadow flicker
  - EMI
  - Traffic
  - Economy
  - Biodiversity
  - Landscape and visual
  - Bushfire risk
  - Aviation risk
  - Geotech & land contamination
- Referred to government for approval pathways (EPBC approval and EES not required)
- Planning permit application lodged Dec 2020
- All application documents are available on the OSMI website [www.osmi.com.au/planning](http://www.osmi.com.au/planning)



Figure 7: Highest predicted noise level contours – Vestas V162-5.6MW Mode 0



# Detailed Project Timeline



\* *Italics are activities that will proceed only if planning approval is granted*

# Steps in Approvals Process

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Indicative timing

Dec 20	Planning permit applications lodged (WEF and TS)
<i>Feb-April 20*</i>	<i>Planning application referrals</i>
<i>Apr 20*</i>	<i>Public consultation and comment period for application</i>
<i>May-Jun 21*</i>	<i>Independent planning panel – public hearings</i>
<i>Jun-Jul 21*</i>	<i>Panel report of recommendations provided to Minister</i>
<i>Jul-Aug 21*</i>	<i>Minister's decision to grant (or reject) planning permits</i>

*\* Note all dates are indicative subject to DELWP and PPV processes*



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# Questions




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# IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation

IAP2's Spectrum of Public Participation was designed to assist with the selection of the level of participation that defines the public's role in any public participation process. The Spectrum is used internationally, and it is found in public participation plans around the world.



	<b>INFORM</b>	<b>CONSULT</b>	<b>INVOLVE</b>	<b>COLLABORATE</b>	<b>EMPOWER</b>
<b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL</b>	To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.	To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.	To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.	To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.	To place final decision making in the hands of the public.
<b>PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC</b>	We will keep you informed.	We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will work with you to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will look to you for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporate your advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.	We will implement what you decide.