

## Bodangora Wind Farm

### CCC Meeting – Minutes

**Date:** 14.06.23    **Time:** 18.30    **Location:** Cow and Calf Hotel,  
Wellington

Participants – CCC Members		
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Apologies		
Name	Role / Position	E-mail

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Welcome , Apologies, Declarations of Pecuniary or other interests</b>
	Chair welcomed all committee members and called for any declarations of pecuniary or other interests from CCC members.
	Apologies -nil
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>

	The minutes of the meeting held on 13/03/2023 were noted-no actions arising
	Minute taker for this meeting-Ian Rogan
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Bodangora Wind Farm (BWF) Operations Update</b>
	Michael Bullock gave the committee an update on wind farm operations
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Community Benefit Fund</b>
	<p>Dubbo Regional Council forwarded the updated guidelines for applicants to the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund, to the wind farm manager (Michael Bullock, Iberdrola) in May. These guidelines were shared with CCC members for discussion at this meeting. The following are the feedback and suggested edits to the guidelines arising from that discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Timing of the annual call for applications Given the other commitments of the people in voluntary roles who are generally completing these applications on behalf of community organisations, it is suggested that the call be opened a month later (1 March). This would give community representatives more time to prepare applications after the new year/January break that affect availability of individuals and organisations to plan projects and applications for funding.</li> <li>2. Funding limit The CCC has previously discussed the potential benefits to the community of raising the project funding limit from the current \$10,000 (incl GST). Given the amount of funding available, and the cost increases in many elements of projects in recent years, the CCC requests that DRC consider increasing the limit to \$20,000 per project</li> <li>3. Eligibility criteria Accepted</li> <li>4. Circumstances for ineligible applicants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii) CCC members believe that if there have been extenuating circumstances that have led to delays in completion of a previously funded project, and which have been appropriately communicated to council, that an eligible organization should not be excluded from applying for funding for a new project.</li> <li>iii) CCC members question why an eligible community organization could not apply to council for funding from more than one funding source.</li> <li>x) Applicant with gaming machines/liquor licence excluded-the CCC seeks clarification on whether this will exclude consideration of applications from community organisations such as the Wellington Golf Club and Geurie Bowling Club, that have been previous fund recipients?</li> <li>xxiii) A number of previously successful applications have been from community organisations seeking funding for equipment such as fridges, barbeques etc. Will this now be excluded?</li> <li>xxvi) The CCC sees potential confusion if this condition precludes a community organisation from seeking CBF funding (arising from the wind farm business) and sponsorship from other businesses in the district.</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Assessment criteria Accepted</li> <li>6. Conditions of Funding</li> </ol>

	<p>Accepted</p> <p>7. Notification and payment</p> <p>iii) Recipients of funding will be required to have a representative attend a civic ceremony. The CCC believes that this would be a preferred outcome, but an applicant organization should not be penalized or excluded from funding if they are unable to be represented at a ceremony and provide suitable advice to council of such inability.</p> <p>It was agreed that the above comments/suggested changes to the CBF guidelines be communicated to Dubbo Regional Council by the chair.</p>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>General Business</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nil</li> </ul>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Next meeting</b>
	Date not set
	Meeting closed at 8.00 pm