Bodangora Wind Farm

CCC Meeting – Minutes

Date: 7.03.24 Time: 19.00 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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Participants - Non CC	C Members	
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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 9 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 14/06/23 were noted-no actions arising

Minute taker for this meeting-lan Rogan

3.0 Bodangora Wind Farm (BWF) Operations Update

Michael Bullock gave the committee an update on wind farm operations, Including:

4.0 Community Benefit Fund

Dubbo Regional Council forwarded the 18 applications received for Round 9 of the Community Benefit Fund, to the wind farm manager (Michael Bullock, Iberdrola) on 1 March.

Applications were forwarded to CCC members on 1th March with the following instructions from the CCC chair for assessment prior to this CCC meeting.

- 1. Please read and score each application in the following way, prior to the meeting.
- 2. Score each application out of 5 (1 worst; 5 best) for each of the four criteria listed below.
 - Application addresses an identified community need and demonstrates achievable social, economic or environmental outcomes for the community
 - The project/program has a clear beginning and demonstrates where practical that any ongoing or recurrent costs can be met by the applicant once funding has been expended
 - Capacity of the applicant to successfully complete the project/program
 - The project/program budget is comprehensive and realistic. Demonstrates all co-contributions and required quotes are provided with value for money demonstrated.
- 3. At the meeting we will go through each application in the following way:
 - 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 20-ie the sum of your score out of 5 for each of the 4 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.

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 18. This will be submitted to Dubbo Regional Council in coming days as our recommendations for funding from Round 9 of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund.

	The assessment and ranking of applications proceeded, as outlined above. Based on the scores/rankings of the 18 applications and the
	funding available (\$73,000), it was resolved that Dubbo Regional Council
	be advised that funds be allocated to the top 8 ranked applications.
	Details of rankings of project applications will not be included in the minutes for confidentiality reasons.
5.0	General Business
	• nil
6.0	Next meeting
	Date not set
	Meeting closed at 8.45 pm