



Minutes

Ryan Corner Wind Farm Community Engagement Committee

Meeting date Thursday 20 November 2025
Meeting time and location 5.30pm at the Port Fairy Senior Citizens Centre

1. Present

Cr Lisa Ryan (Chair)
Michael Thornton-Smith, Community Representative
Debra Dumesny, GPG Community and Stakeholder Engagement Officer
Guests:
Anne-Maree Huglin, Hawkesdale Wind Farm CEC
Peter Hennig, Hawkesdale Wind Farm CEC

Vicki Askew-Thornton, CEC Responsible Officer, Moyne Shire Council

2. Apologies

Tony Smith, Community Representative

3. Acknowledgement of Country: Chair Cr Lisa Ryan

4. Declarations of Interest

Michael Thornton-Smith declared that he assisted with the preparation of an application to the wind farm community fund program.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of 21 August 2025 meeting

Moved by Michael Thornton-Smith, seconded by Debra Dumesny that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 August 2025 be accepted. **Carried**

6. Business arising from the previous Minutes

GPG	Provide a copy of the Obstacle Lighting map for the CEC representatives, and to be included as an attachment to the minutes. Completed
GPG	Question on notice: GPG to consider whether the reports, or a summary of the reports required by the Bat and Avifauna Management Plan can be provided to the CEC and made publicly available on the project website. Refer to Project Update
Council	Provide 10 hard copies of confirmed CEC minutes for the Yambuk General Store. Completed

7. Correspondence Incoming

17 November: Ryan Corner and Hawkesdale wind farms newsletters from GPG

8. Correspondence Outgoing

Nil.

9. Reports:

9.1 GPG Project Update

•GPG took on notice a request for it to consider whether the reports, or a summary of the reports can be provided to the CEC and made publicly available on the project website.

- A **full description of the processes** is available in the endorsed Bat and Avifauna Management Plan (BAMP) available on the web site.
- The company is **currently exploring whether it would be appropriate** to provide a summary of the findings made from the ecologists undertaking the required work. An update will be provided as soon as possible.

Further discussion:

- The Year 1 report for the Bat and Avifauna Management Plan (BAMP) has not yet been completed. The endorsed BAMP sets out the processes that must be followed for monitoring, reporting, mitigating, and what the significant impact triggers are: [Report-14144B-18.6-Ryan-Corner-BAMP-20240827-ENDORSED.pdf](#)

2. Project Update



✓ Operation:

- **Aviation lights** – CASA has replied that they will not support the removal of the lights
- **Annual Service program** continues
- **BAMP** Monthly mortality surveys on-going
- **Brolga surveys** are being conducted fortnightly through to December
- **Post construction noise monitoring** completed – reports are being prepared

Further discussion:

Aviation lighting:

- GPG is still exploring options that could be proposed to CASA, such as collars or baffles around the lights.

Bat and Avifauna Management Plan (BAMP) monitoring:

Ecologists are currently conducting Brolga surveys:

- Ryan Corner: 3-4 days per week, fortnightly.
- Hawkesdale Wind Farm: 2 days per week, monthly.

This schedule is in accordance with the BAMP.

✓ **The personnel on site :**

- **GPGA – Site Manager (Harry Sherlock) and Site Supervisor (Murray Staude)**
- **Vestas – Site Supervisor and maintenance team depending on requirements (Up to 10 Full time personnel)**

2. Project update – Permit Amendment

GPG
Naturgy Group

Permit number – 20060222-3

- ✓ Operational noise is now exclusively dealt with under Environmental Protection Regulations 2021
- ✓ Removing condition 31
- ✓ Deleting conditions 32, 33 and 34 as this is dealt with in the approved Noise Management Plan (NMP)
- ✓ Amending condition 36 – complaints process to reflect current legislative conditions
- ✓ The amendment is progressing and no decision has been made

➤ Benefit sharing

- **Community Benefit Fund**

\$127,905.65 awarded, **\$2,094.35** to carry over to 2026

- ✓ Macarthur Pony Club – Dressage ring
- ✓ St Helens Landcare – Trees for wildlife program
- ✓ Orford Hall – Internal painting and communication equipment
- ✓ Toolong Community Centre – Equipment upgrades and community garden
- ✓ Orford Sports Ground – Pavillion
- ✓ Toolong CFA – Grounds maintenance equipment
- ✓ St Helens CFA – Fire fighting trailer unit
- ✓ Yambuk Recreation – Reroofing of facility

Further discussion:

- Michael observed that the recent funding round supported 'bricks and mortar' projects (physical infrastructure), and asked whether in future, strategic planning-type applications would be welcomed by the fund committee.
Anne-Maree echoed this feedback and noted that HADDAC's vision was to do more community planning for the township.
Debra responded that GPG hopes any future applications arising from an adopted community plan or vision will be favourably considered.

3. Complaints Investigation and Response Plan (CIRP)

The CIRP was endorsed on December 6 2022 and can be found on our web site at <https://ryancornerwindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/> following the link The Project>Relevant documentation.

All relevant documentation and forms for lodging a complaint are found on the web site under Contact Us.

Complaints can be made in the following ways:

Phone: 1800 457 181 or 0428 867 646

E-mail: debra.dumesny@globalpower-generation.com.au

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Mail: Ryan Corner Development Pty Ltd

Suite A, Level 3, 73 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra ACT 2601

3. Community Engagement

- ✓ A new web page is live. www.globalpower-generation.com.au
- ✓ Some projects are not active
- ✓ Off Site Landscaping Program –agreements and payments are being finalised. The report will be submitted to DEECA when the program is finalised
- ✓ Neighbour Benefit Program:
 - Contacts are being resumed with neighbours who are eligible and have not entered into an agreement

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9.2 Community Representatives:

No further questions were raised by the Community Representatives.

9.3 Council:

Council will forward the latest information from VicGrid to the Community Representatives.

10. General business

- Debra gave an update on the Tarrone Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). Geotechnical site assessments are underway, and some no-go areas have been screened off due to cultural heritage significance.

- As the CEC community representatives are in attendance, the Hawkesdale Wind Farm project update is included as Attachment 1.

The meeting closed at 6.35pm.

Next Ryan Corner Wind Farm CEC meeting date – Thursday 26 February 2026, 5.30pm

Venue: Port Fairy Senior Citizens Centre

Minutes are to be registered in Moyne Shire's electronic document management system by the committee reporting officer immediately following the Minutes' confirmation and signing

Attachment 1

HAWKESDALE WIND FARM Community Engagement Committee

November 20, 2025

1. Actions arising



- GPG will follow up on how mortalities are recorded and whether the BAMP reports are made available to the public.
- A **full description of the processes** is available in the endorsed Bat and Avifauna Management Plan (BAMP) available on the web site.
- The company is **currently reviewing a process** to release a summary of the findings from the surveys and inspections once the **report has been received from the ecological consultants undertaking the works.**

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2. Project update – Permit Amendment



Permit number – 20060221-3

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- ✓ Removing condition 42
- ✓ Deleting conditions 43, 44 and 45 as this is dealt with in the approved Noise Management Plan (NMP)
- ✓ Amending condition 47 – complaints process to reflect current legislative conditions
- ✓ The amendment is progressing and not decision has been made

➤ Benefit sharing

- **Community Benefit Fund (Township and District Grant Program)**
 - ✓ Township – \$97,245.74 awarded, \$9,161.58 to carry over to 2026
 - ✓ A new committee will be formed for the 2026 -2029 grant programs
 - Hawkesdale recreation reserve – New gate way (Completed)
 - Hawkesdale Macarthur Football Netball Club – Built in cool room
 - Hawkesdale Racecourse Reserve – Floor and shelving for shed, tree removal and trimming, gardening equipment (Completed)
 - Hawkesdale Cricket Club – Freezer
 - HADDAC --- Solar lighting for the common, replace and update the historical signage

- **Community Benefit Fund (Township and District Grant Program)**
 - ✓ District \$49,888.46 awarded, \$7,611.54 to carry over to 2026
 - Willatook Fire Brigade -- Trailer
 - Hawkesdale Macarthur Football Netball Club – Resurface netball court at Macarthur
 - Macarthur Gun Club – Concrete walkways
 - MADA – Exercise equipment for the town precinct (dependent on securing full funding)
 - All agreements are completed and payments made

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✓ Complaints Management

- No complaints received since the last meeting.
- GPG are providing periodic reports to Moyne Shire Council about the status of complaints received. The last report covered the period 1/1/2025 – 30/6/2025
- Annual Complaints Report submitted to DEECA for period ending 21/08/2025
- All complaints are closed.

3. Complaints Investigation and Response Plan (CIRP)

The CIRP was endorsed on December 6 2022 and can be found on our web site at <https://hawkesdalewindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/> following the link The Project>Relevant documentation.

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