

# KEEPING YOU INFORMED

We will inform you of our key activities and keep you up-to-date with project news. Project updates will be available via newsletters, face-to-face meetings, community meetings, our website, and email.

Please let us know the best way to keep in contact with you.



## OUR ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES TO DATE

Over the past six months we have spoken with the Moyne Shire Council, community groups, local reporters and project neighbours. There have been a range of views in the community in response to the Mt Fyans Wind Farm.

A majority of the local residents we spoke to believe that renewable energy is important for our future. Others believe that the wind farm will provide new local opportunities. There has also been some opposition from people with properties close to the proposed site. These people are mostly concerned about amenity, such as how the turbines will look or the sound they may hear. There are also people living close to the wind farm who do not believe the wind farm will affect their lifestyle, and who support the project.

We have listened to everyone's opinions and we understand there are a wide range of views on many of the key issues surrounding wind farms.



## Contact us

We value our discussions with the community as we are keen to understand your views on the range of issues associated with wind farms.

If you would like to discuss any aspects of the project please contact us. We look forward to hearing from you.

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## Next steps in planning process

In 2016 the Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) produced the comprehensive *Policy and Planning Guidelines for Development of Wind Energy Facilities in Victoria*. All planning applications must comply with these guidelines to ensure developments are responsive to environmental, cultural and landscape values.

Wind facilities must first be considered by the Victorian Government's Minister for Planning. The Minister will decide if an Environment Effects Statement (EES) will be required under the *Environmental Effects Act 1978*.

Woolnorth Wind Farms intends to submit an application for a planning permit to the Minister in late 2017 / early 2018. If an EES is required, the approval process will be reviewed.

As part of this process there will be a public notification and exhibition period where the community can review the proposal and submit comments for consideration by an independent panel.

