

Project Update

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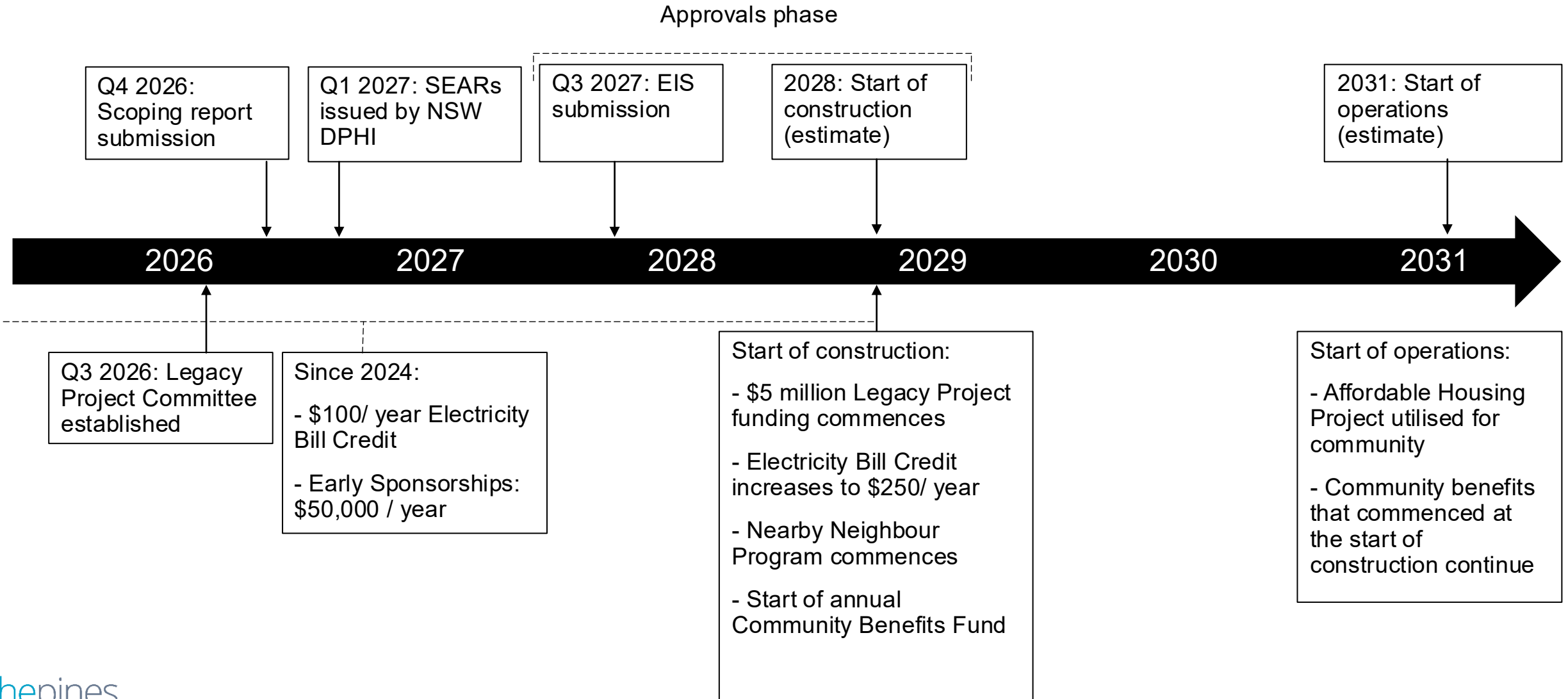
Quarterly Project Update



- ▶ Completed a full year (4 seasons) of bird and bat surveys – 4 seasons to go
- ▶ Private infrastructure hosts:
 - Continued to meet with interested host landholders
 - We will share an updated public map once these discussions are finalised
- ▶ More than 4,300 engagements to date (+500 engagements since the March quarterly update)
- ▶ Early community sponsorships have reached \$100,000 to date
- ▶ Early community sponsorships round 5 is open with a submission deadline of 31 August
- ▶ Have provided over \$25,000 in electricity bill credits to the community to date (+\$2,000 since the March quarterly update)
- ▶ \$5m Legacy Project:
 - Committee applications are open on our website
 - Draft Terms of Reference were shared with Council in April (printed copies are provided to Council today)



Project Timeline





The Pines Wind Farm Community Hub

- ▶ The Pines Wind Farm will be opening a Community Hub located at 133 Oberon St.
- ▶ The hub will open once fit-out works are completed
- ▶ The Community Hub will provide an opportunity for the community to:
 - Speak to team members, find out more about the project, ask questions, and share feedback
 - Organise a meeting with the project team
 - Submit their electricity bill to receive the electricity bill credit
 - Submit sponsorship applications
 - Submit an application to be on the Legacy Project Committee and/or discuss ideas for community projects in the area
 - Register themselves and/or their business on The Pines Wind Farm's local contractor and supplier register



We're moving in soon!

The Pines Wind Farm Community Hub

— A dedicated community space to connect with the project team, ask questions and learn more about The Pines Wind Farm is coming to Oberon later in 2026.



Until then, we'd love to see you at our **weekly drop-in sessions**:

Every Tuesday
10am–2pm
Oberon Library & Community Centre
Function Room 3
74A Dart Street, Oberon

Come and say hello!



Early Sponsorships Update



Oberon Netball Club President & Co-orientator Tara Love said the funding has helped remove barriers for local families.

"It's made it more affordable for girls to get back into sport and be part of a team again, which is so important in a small community," Ms Love said.

- ▶ Early sponsorships have reached **\$100,000 milestone**
- ▶ The sponsorships have supported 24 projects across the Oberon and Bathurst Local Government Areas (LGAs), backing local ideas that are making a real difference
- ▶ Funding in this round has been awarded to:
 - **Arts OutWest:** Joined At The Art: intergenerational art program for young and old residents of Oberon
 - **Black Springs Community Association Inc:** Black Springs Mobile Phone Service Solution
 - **Galloping Gumnut Mobile Children's Service:** Promoting Road and Bike Safety
 - **Oberon Netball Club:** Bringing netball back to Oberon
 - **Oberon Showground Land Manager:** Oberon Showground Pavilion Guttering
 - **St Aidan's Village Church Association Inc:** Restoration historic building - St Aidan's Black Springs
- ▶ Oberon Netball Club is returning for the first time since COVID, with the grant enabling the club to relaunch, reduce costs for families and support new teams, helping more women and girls get back into sport.



Rates

- ▶ The requirement to pay rates is determined by the Local Government Act, including leases. The definition of a lease includes permits issued under the Forestry Act.

TagEnergy sent a letter to Oberon Council on 13 May 2026 providing information on wind farm rates.

- ▶ The Pines will comply with all relevant laws, including those relating to rates.
- ▶ Renewable land agreements have, for many years, made the project responsible for payment of any applicable rates due to the project. This is also the case for The Pines.
- ▶ The Pines acknowledges its obligations as a future permit holder and a future leaseholder under the LGA and will engage with Council on the rating assessment process at a time when Planning approvals have been achieved and it is closer to the start of construction of the project / occupation of the lands.





Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA)

	Benefit	Governance
NSW Guidelines	<p>\$1,050/MW/year for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Local community benefitsIndigenous benefits <p><i>Example: For a 2,000MW project this amount would be \$2.1 million / year</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">VPA with CouncilPropose that TPWF Legacy Project committee assesses proposed benefits in line with merit criteria and puts forward recommendations that would enhance the communityCouncil decides on which projects to proceed with
The Pines Wind Farm Additional benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">\$5m Legacy Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none">TPWF Legacy Project committee assesses proposed benefits in line with merit criteria and puts forward recommendations that would enhance the communityTPWF decides which projects to proceed with
The Pines Wind Farm Additional benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Min. 100 affordable housing bedrooms (estimated at \$20+ million)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Pines Wind Farm will contribute capital and ongoing funding to subsidise the delivery and long-term affordability of the homes, ensuring they remain accessible to those who need them most.
The Pines Wind Farm Additional benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">\$25m electricity bill credit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Payments made by TPWF as eligible applications are submitted



Response to key topics

- ▶ The attached Q&A document provides answers to questions received during the last Council meeting as well as questions received from Council via email.

Q&A

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