

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 15 November 2023, 11.46am and 12.01pm
LOCATION	MS Teams Videoconference

BRIEFING MATTER(S)

PPSNTH-257 – Gunnedah – 10.2023.00000026.001 – 131 Quia Road, Gunnedah – Electrical Generating Works (14.7MW) AND 147 Lot Community Title Subdivision

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Dianne Leeson (Chair), Stephen Gow, Michael Wright, Jamie Chaffey, and Donna Ausling
APOLOGIES	Nil
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Jamie Chaffey

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Prashanth Van Houten and Wade Hudson
DEPARTMENT STAFF	Carolyn Hunt, Louisa Agyare and Lisa Ellis
OTHER	Nil

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- Background and site history
- Further clarification of development value to be provided
- Location on an unregistered lot, with 2 other solar farms approved on the original site
- Project outlined as 14.7MW solar farm, consisting of 48,951 panels on 147 community title lots – individual lot sizes of 960m²
- No submissions received
- Request for information sent to applicant

Panel Questions

- Battery storage not identified in application
- Substation to be included in this development, noting approval in previous approval
- Noting site history and number of approvals over various parts of the site – assessment report to clearly identify the scope of the existing approvals for the site and how they relate to this proposal to ensure non-conflicting conditions or operational inconsistencies
- Noted no need for surrender of other consents

TENTATIVE DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR: Early 2024

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