

RECORD OF BRIEFING

WESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Tuesday 7 December 2021 at 10am
LOCATION	Teleconference

PPSWES-113 - Bland - DA2022/0022

364 Wargin Road, Wyalong 2671

Solar Farm with DC capacity of 6.05 MW and AC output of 5 MW.

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Garry Fielding (Chair), Sandra Hutton, Will Marsh
APOLOGIES	Ray Smith, Graham Brown,
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	None

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Erin Green, Lesley Duncan
PANEL SECRETARIAT	Amanda Moylan, Kim Holt

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- Summary of proposal (12,000 solar modules)
- Infrastructure provision
- · Landscaping and security fencing
- Clarification of reference to location of the landscaping (eastern side is nominated)
- Confirmation that unformed road it is a council road reserve (not a Crown Road reserve).
- Access points and intersection arrangements off Wargin Road to the access track
- Confirmation that Tree clearing is not proposed and scattered trees in the paddock to be retained.
- Natural drainage line within site
- Proximity to neighbours
- Drone footage of the site was presented to the Panel
- Emerging issue for Council is the capacity to manage the waste that is generated
- Council's preference is for applicants to recycle
- Panel site visit not required
- DPIE to provide updated draft conditions for solar farms to Council
- Exhibition completed no objections
- Timing completion of assessment report anticipated in early January. Aim for determination meeting date in late January

TENTATIVE DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR January 2022