

# **RECORD OF BRIEFING & SITE VISIT**

WESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

#### **BRIEFING DETAILS**

| BRIEFING DATE / TIME | 4 August 2020 |
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| LOCATION             | On site       |

#### BRIEFING MATTER(S) PPSWES-2 – Mid Western – DA0288/2019

3B Sydney Road, Burrundulla

Electricity Generating Works (2 x 5MW Solar Farm) and Associated Infrastructure

## PANEL MEMBERS

| IN ATTENDANCE            | Garry Fielding, Clare Brown, Russell Holden  |
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| APOLOGIES                | Andrew Brown, John Bently  |
| DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST | Councillor Russell Holden declared that he has not participated in any<br>business of Mid-Western Regional Council which has considered<br>solar farms in which the Council has an interest or a potential future<br>interest as a proponent. On all occasions where such matters have<br>been considered by the Council, he has stood aside from any<br>involvement in the matter (and the minutes of the council meetings<br>do reflect such). Further, he has never made any public statements<br>supporting or discounting solar farms in which the Council has an<br>interest or a potential future interest as a proponent.<br>Panel Chair accepted this declaration and that Councillor Holden was<br>eligible to participate on the Panel. |

## OTHER ATTENDEES

| COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF | Kayla Robson                 |
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| OTHER                    | Kim Holt – Panel Secretariat |

## **KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED**

- Panel members visited the site adjacent to Burrundulla winery in the company of Council's Senior Planner.
- By reference to the DA plans, Council's Senior Planner pointed to the various extremities of the proposed solar farm, noting the trees to the southwest, the homestead on the adjoining site to the southeast, and the proposed driveway access point off the Castlereagh Highway.
- Guided by Council's Senior Planner, Panel members then drove from the site along the Highway to Queens Pinch Road, Wallinga Lane, and Spring Flat Road to the Highway. This was to provide Panel members with a broader visual context of the proposed solar farm.

## TENTATIVE PANEL MEETING DATE: November / December 2020